

hang over the nascent sector, according to survey results released Tuesday by law firm Foley & Lardner LLP. Read more »

ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL

DHS Says Calif., Enviros Can't Sue Over Border Wall Waivers

The Department of Homeland Security on Monday said the Trump administration was within its rights to waive environmental laws to build and fortify border walls in California, urging the Ninth Circuit to uphold a decision granting it a quick win in a suit against the agency. Read more »

DC Circ. Judges Losing Patience With EPA Over CPP Delay

The D.C. Circuit on Tuesday agreed to give the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 60 more days to figure out what it wants to do with the Clean Power Plan, but three judges said this could be the last extension they vote for. Read more »

House Votes To Allow Sea Lion Hunting To Protect Salmon

The House of Representatives advanced a bill Tuesday that proposes to protect salmon fisheries in the United States by allowing sea lion hunting on the Columbia River in the Pacific Northwest. Read more »

HEALTH & LIFE SCIENCES

Calif. Abortion-Info Law Likely Doomed, High Court Says

A California law that requires anti-abortion clinics to provide information about state-funded abortion services likely violates the First Amendment, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled Tuesday. Read more »

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Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States

Commodity Futures Trading Commission

NJ Senate OKs Bill Keeping Part Of Sports Betting Tax Local

The New Jersey Senate has passed a bill that would distribute a portion of revenue generated from newly legalized sports wagering at racetracks to the community where the track is located, and in the case of the Meadowlands racetrack, it would distribute the revenue to the intermunicipal tax-sharing program made up of six municipalities. [Read more »](#)

TRANSPORTATION & INFRASTRUCTURE

House Passes Transportation Security Bills

The House of Representatives passed several bills to increase security at the nation's transportation hubs late Monday, changing how the U.S. Department of Homeland Security approaches transportation security outreach and technology acquisition. [Read more »](#)

Cab Cos. Try To Restart Miami Medallion Suit Over Uber, Lyft

Taxi companies asked the Eleventh Circuit on Tuesday to reinstate their proposed class suit against Miami-Dade County, Florida, over a 2016 ordinance allowing the operation of ride-hailing providers like Uber and Lyft, arguing the action, which devalued their taxi medallions, was an unconstitutional taking of their property. [Read more »](#)

EMPLOYMENT

Seattle Asks Full 9th Circ. To Rehear Uber Union Law Fight

The city of Seattle asked the full Ninth Circuit to revisit a recent appellate decision reviving the U.S. Chamber of Commerce's challenge to a city ordinance letting app-based, ride-hailing drivers bargain collectively, saying Monday that a panel trampled on states' sovereign

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powers to delegate regulatory authority to local governments. [Read more »](#)

DOL Persuader Rule Soon To Be Revoked, Courts Told

The U.S. Department of Labor indicated Monday that it is less than a week away from formally revoking the controversial Obama-era "persuader" rule, which expanded employers' disclosure requirements related to union-organizing campaigns but was later blocked by a Texas judge. [Read more »](#)

INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Trump Again Rattles Trade Saber At EU Cars

President Donald Trump reiterated his threat to impose tariffs on cars imported from the European Union on Tuesday and again called into question the contours of the administration's ongoing investigation that is nominally focused on national security but viewed by many as economic retribution. [Read more »](#)

House Votes To Overhaul US Foreign Investment Watchdog

The U.S. House of Representatives passed a bill overhauling how the federal government reviews foreign investments into domestic markets Tuesday, approving a bipartisan overhaul of the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States. [Read more »](#)

Lighthizer Blasts 'Complete Hypocrisy' Of Retaliatory Duties

U.S. Trade Representative Robert Lighthizer on Tuesday accused countries retaliating against the Trump administration's steel and aluminum tariffs of "complete hypocrisy" and defended the metal tariffs as a necessary step to protect U.S. security interests. [Read more »](#)

Biz Groups Want Congress To Rein In Trump's Trade Moves

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The U.S. Chamber of Commerce and other business groups on Tuesday mobilized to back a Senate bill that would give Congress the ability to review tariffs imposed for national security reasons, the rationale used by the Trump administration to slap double-digit tariffs on steel and aluminum originating from some of the country's closest trading partners. [Read more »](#)

TAX

New Tax Overhaul Draft Ready After July 4 Break, Brady Says

A discussion draft for another federal tax overhaul bill will be released to U.S. House GOP members the week after Congress' 9 July 4 break, House Ways and Means Chairman Kevin Brady, R-Texas, said Tuesday at a conference in Washington, D.C. [Read more »](#)

Judge Says She'll Likely Ban Trump Kids From Charity Boards

A New York state judge urged President Donald Trump and his three oldest children to settle a suit by the state attorney general that claims they used the Donald J. Trump Foundation to help the president's campaign, saying at a Tuesday hearing that she was inclined to bar Trump's children from sitting on charity boards and hinting that the president may have to testify. [Read more »](#)

TCJA's Impact On Deficit Could Lead To Crisis, CBO Warns

The new federal tax law will lead to dangerous levels of public debt, according to the Congressional Budget Office's 2018 Long-Term Budget Outlook report, which was released Tuesday. [Read more »](#)

IMMIGRATION

16 States Sue Trump Admin. Over Child Separation Policies

Sixteen states, including California, Delaware, Illinois, New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania, as well as Washington, D.C., sued the Trump administration in Washington federal court Tuesday claiming that the government's policies at the Southwestern border, including the separation of immigrant parents and children, violates the Fifth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. [Read more »](#)

Gov't Can't Dodge Due Process Challenge From TPS Holders

A California federal judge said Monday he will allow a group of immigrant families to move forward with claims that the Trump administration violated their constitutional rights when it terminated temporary protected status for more than 200,000 immigrants living in the U.S. [Read more »](#)

Mothers Want Calif. Court To Bar Border Separations

Three asylum seekers separated from their children in the wake of the Trump administration's "zero tolerance policy" toward those suspected of crossing the border without authorization sought to intervene Monday in a long-standing California federal court class action that restricts the ability of the federal government to detain foreign-born minors. [Read more »](#)

NATIVE AMERICAN

DOJ Sets Aside \$110M For Native American Crime Victims

The U.S. Department of Justice said Tuesday that it has budgeted up to \$110 million in grants for Native American and Alaska Native tribes to provide services to crime victims, including those tied to the opioid crisis, human trafficking and cybercrime. [Read more »](#)

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Competition Is Key To Affordable Broadband, FCC's Carr Says

The Federal Communications Commission must focus on lowering barriers to entry in the telecommunications marketplace in lieu of seeking consumer price controls for broadband service, Republican FCC Commissioner Brendan Carr said Tuesday. [Read more »](#)

US Broadband Mapping Vital, Industry Says In NTIA Talks

A House subcommittee proposal to reauthorize the National Telecommunications and Information Administration received backing at a hearing Tuesday from former agency officials and advocates, particularly for a plan to reassert the agency's authority over mapping U.S. broadband deployment. [Read more »](#)

Senate Dems Urge FCC To Fortify TCPA Robocall Rules

Senate Democrats on Tuesday urged the Federal Communications Commission to recommit to the original intent of the country's telemarketing laws after the D.C. Circuit threw out the agency's definition of autodialer, saying that without intervention invasive robocalls could plague consumers. [Read more »](#)

Calif. Sen. Backs Net Neutrality Bill, As Long As It's Amended

A California state lawmaker Tuesday said he is urging a State Assembly committee to advance a "gutted" version of his net neutrality legislation in the hopes of later restoring consumer protections to the bill in time for passage by the end of August. [Read more »](#)

EXPERT ANALYSIS

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From Lawmaker To Lawyer: DC Isn't As Bad As You Think

Popular culture paints the Hill as a place teeming with intrigue, corruption and malicious intent. But in Congress I learned important

lessons about respecting people and the work they do, says former Sen. Norm Coleman, R-Minn., of Hogan Lovells. [Read more »](#)

Foreign Students Face Hurdles Under New USCIS Policies

U.S. colleges and universities are starting to feel the pressure of slipping enrollment numbers and increased global competition for international students, and recruitment challenges have now likely been exacerbated by two recent policy shifts announced by U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, say Stephen Smalley and Melissa Manna of Ogletree Deakins Nash Smoak & Stewart PC. [Read more »](#)

New Rules Give ITC Subpoena Recipients A Break

Until this month, recipients of subpoenas in U.S. International Trade Commission investigations had only 10 days to move to quash, or risk waiving all objections. Now the ITC has aligned its subpoena practice with federal court procedures, a step that will likely be well-received by practitioners, say Elizabeth Banzhoff and Amanda Tessar of Perkins Coie LLP. [Read more »](#)

How Trump Will Finance Federal Real Property Projects

President Donald Trump plans to facilitate much-needed federal real property projects in part through a \$10 billion "mandatory revolving fund." Although it would provide a viable mechanism for agencies to fund certain infrastructure projects, there are aspects of the revolving fund that are unknown and should be considered, say attorneys with Covington & Burling LLP. [Read more »](#)

EPA Rule Changes Signal Divergence Of Federal, State Regs

Last month, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency published a proposed rule rolling back Obama-era requirements for facilities handling hazardous substances. Some western states,

meanwhile, have strengthened their own regulations in this area. Companies now contend with accident prevention and process safety regulations that are inconsistent, say Benjamin Patton and Mary Balaster of Reed Smith LLP. [Read more »](#)

New, Improved Rules For 'High Volatility' Real Estate Loans

The new Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief and Consumer Protection Act reforms widely unpopular rules relating to high volatility commercial real estate loans, making it easier to reclassify loans as non-HVCRE acquisition, development and construction loans, say Martin Taylor and Jon Nomura of Troutman Sanders LLP. [Read more »](#)

LEGAL INDUSTRY

More Associate Raises, With \$210K Starting Pay At 1 Firm

Five more law firms announced associate pay raises Tuesday, following the lead of other law firms that have increased salaries in recent weeks, with one law firm declaring its first-year associates will earn \$210,000 a year in base pay. [Read more »](#)

Ex-Ogletree Atty Seeks To Amend \$300M Gender Bias Suit

A former Ogletree Deakins Nash Smoak & Stewart PC attorney has accused the head of Ogletree's Phoenix office and a shareholder who's the firm's "largest rainmaker" of implementing nationwide policies at the firm that discriminate against women, according to a proposed amended complaint filed Monday. [Read more »](#)

New Litigation Funding Co. Scores BigLaw Attys, \$250M In PE

A former Bentham IMF Ltd. executive has jumped into the litigation funding market with the launch of his own firm on Tuesday, saying his new venture is backed by \$250 million in

private equity and other commitments and staffed by former attorneys from BigLaw firms like Kirkland & Ellis LLP and Boies Schiller Flexner LLP. [Read more »](#)

Pro Bono Spotlight

Kirkland's Pro Bono Push Sways Drug Sentencing Precedent

A pro bono effort by Kirkland & Ellis LLP attorneys paid off recently when the D.C. Circuit handed down a precedential opinion finding that drug offenders should be sentenced based on their individual crimes rather than the crimes of the wider conspiracy they are involved in. [Read more »](#)

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Feature

When Partisan Passion Raged, Kennedy Was The Vote To Get

Throughout his three-decade run on the U.S. Supreme Court, Associate Justice Anthony Kennedy leveraged his precious swing vote to forge robust legacies in free speech, LGBT rights and capital punishment, clerks and court watchers told Law360 after the justice announced his retirement Wednesday. [Read more »](#)

Justice Kennedy's Retirement To Upset High Court Balance

Associate Justice Anthony Kennedy, 81, the U.S. Supreme Court's most senior member, is stepping down from the bench, the court announced Wednesday. His retirement will hand President Donald Trump the chance to replace a crucial swing vote and shift the ideological balance of the court to the right. [Read more »](#)

GOP Kicks Off Race To Confirm Kennedy Replacement

Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy's retirement announcement Wednesday echoed like a starting gun in the Senate, setting off a sprint from Senate Republicans who said they



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plan on having his replacement confirmed before the fall elections. [Read more »](#)

Analysis

Life After Kennedy: 1 Big Question, 6 Judges To Watch

President Donald Trump made it clear Wednesday that the world already knows the name of the person he is going to nominate to replace retiring Associate Justice Anthony M. Kennedy. The question is, which name will it be? [Read more »](#)

Analysis

From Iqbal To Citizens United: Kennedy's Biggest Decisions

In his three decades on the high court, Justice Anthony Kennedy authored opinions that changed the rules for federal civil litigation, opened the floodgates for corporations and unions to fund campaign advertisements, and reshaped the legal landscape for women and same-sex couples. [Read more »](#)

'Goodbye, Tony!' Justices Bid Farewell To Kennedy

As U.S. Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy prepares to step down after three decades on the bench, his colleagues stepped forward to share stories about the man they know as "Tony," describing a thoughtful coworker who built enduring friendships and made a lasting mark on the legal landscape. [Read more »](#)

TOP NEWS

Justices Rule Against Unions In Public Worker Fees Fight

The U.S. Supreme Court on Wednesday held that public-sector workers who aren't union members can't be forced to pay "agency fees" that cover the cost of collective bargaining, overturning 41-year-old precedent that found those fees constitutional and dealing a financial blow to organized labor. [Read more »](#)

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Supreme Court Backs Fla. In Water Fight With Ga.

The U.S. Supreme Court on Wednesday rejected a special master's report that denied Florida's request to cap Georgia's water usage from a Southeastern river basin, ruling that Florida had sufficiently shown that a remedy is possible and sending the case back to the special master [Read more »](#)

EPA Moves Toward Limiting CWA Permit Veto Powers

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency announced on Wednesday that Administrator Scott Pruitt wants to do away with the agency's power to veto at any time permits allowing waste from mining and infrastructure projects to be dumped into waters of the United States, including wetlands. [Read more »](#)

Full 7th Circ. Pauses Nationwide Ruling In Sanctuary Row

The full Seventh Circuit on Tuesday paused the nationwide impact of a lower court's order temporarily barring the Trump administration from withholding public safety funds from so-called sanctuary cities, limiting the order to the city of Chicago. [Read more »](#)

Judges' Back Pay Win Affirmed By Calif. Appeals Court

A California judge was acting within his authority when he ordered the Golden State's government to make \$36 million worth of back wage and pension payments to a class of current and former judges, a state appeals court ruled Tuesday. [Read more »](#)

BANKING & SECURITIES

SEC Seeks Comment On Cboe Rule Change For Bitcoin ETF

The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission is seeking public comment on a proposed rule change by Cboe BZX Exchange Inc. to list an exchange-traded fund physically

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backed by bitcoin that would cost about \$200,000 per share, according to a notice Tuesday. [Read more »](#)

ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL

NRDC, States Fight EPA Rollback Of Hydrofluorocarbons Rule

The Natural Resources Defense Council and a coalition of attorneys general and state agencies launched D.C. Circuit challenges on Tuesday to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's rollback of Obama-era limits on hydrofluorocarbons, which are used in products like spray cans, air conditioners and refrigerators. [Read more »](#)

HEALTH & LIFE SCIENCES

GAO Says It Lacks Info To Finish Probe Into Zinke's Calls

The U.S. Government Accountability Office on Wednesday said it cannot determine whether allegedly threatening phone calls U.S. Department of the Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke made to Alaska senators over a health care bill flouted an anti-lobbying rule because the department has refused to give it information about the substance of the calls. [Read more »](#)

CYBERSECURITY & PRIVACY

Cybersecurity On The Hill: ZTE, Bots And The OPM Breach

Cybersecurity issues were the focus of legislators from both sides of the aisle this week: President Trump was urged to reinstate the sanctions against ZTE Corp., a bill regulating social media bots was introduced in the Senate, and a congressman sought more information on the U.S. Office of Personnel Management breach. [Read more »](#)

Calif. Internet Privacy Bill Heads To Vote As Cos. Back Off

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Department of Commerce
Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
European Union
Executive Office of the President
Federal Communications Commission
Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.
Federal Election Commission
Federal Reserve System
Federal Trade Commission
Florida Department of Environmental Protection
Government Accountability Office
Internal Revenue Service
International Trade Commission
NATO
National Railroad Passenger Corporation
New York Attorney General's Office
Occupational Safety and Health Administration
Office of the Comptroller of the Currency

California lawmakers are barreling toward a Thursday vote on proposed internet privacy legislation that would head off a sweeping ballot initiative to give consumers more insight into and control over how companies are collecting and sharing their personal data, a move that a major internet industry group has decided not to block. [Read more »](#)

MEDICAL MALPRACTICE

Rutgers Doc Escapes Med Mal Suit Over Absent Claim Notice

The New Jersey Appellate Division ruled Wednesday that a woman cannot revive her medical malpractice action against a doctor working for Rutgers University, because she did not file a tort claim notice after the physician "unequivocally disclosed" that he was a state employee entitled to such notification. [Read more »](#)

AEROSPACE & DEFENSE

US State Dept. Official Threatens Turkey With F-35 Cutoff

A U.S. Department of State official warned that if Turkey goes ahead with the planned purchase of a missile defense system from Russia, Turkey will risk losing access to U.S.-made military technology, including the F-35 fighter jet. [Read more »](#)

INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Steel Users Aim To Wipe Out Security-Based Tariffs

A coalition of steel users filed a sweeping legal challenge to the Trump administration's 25 percent steel tariff at the U.S. Court of International Trade on Wednesday, arguing that the Cold War-era national security law used to implement the levy is unconstitutional. [Read more »](#)

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U.S. Department of the Interior
U.S. Environmental Protection
Agency
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U.S. Immigration and Customs
Enforcement
U.S. Office of Personnel
Management
U.S. Supreme Court
U.S. Tax Court

GOP Sens. Stymied In Attempt At Trump Tariff Rollbacks

A pair of Republican senators launched an ultimately failed attempt Wednesday to have the Senate vote on a measure that would place restrictions on President Donald Trump's ability to impose national security tariffs, arguing that he has gone too far in placing duties on American allies. [Read more »](#)

TAX

Sen. Plans To Ask IRS Nominee About Pass-Through Break

During the Senate Finance Committee's confirmation hearing Thursday for the potential future commissioner of the Internal Revenue Service, at least one senator will focus his questions on the new federal tax law's pass-through provision. [Read more »](#)

IMMIGRATION

Advocates File FOIA Suit Over Family Separation Information

Immigrant advocates filed a suit against the Trump administration Wednesday in Washington, D.C., federal court seeking to compel the government to respond to its Freedom of Information Act requests for information regarding family separation policies, guidance and data. [Read more »](#)

Trump Tweet Not Enough To Save GOP Immigration Bill

An all-caps supportive tweet by President Donald Trump on Wednesday was not enough to save immigration legislation pushed by Republicans that would have provided a path to citizenship for Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program participants, amended immigration regulations and funded the border wall sought by the president. [Read more »](#)

NATIVE AMERICAN

Gov't Vow To Separated Parents Enough For Now, Judge Says

A Trump administration promise to put three undocumented immigrants separated from their children at the border in touch with case managers was enough Wednesday for a D.C. federal judge not to immediately order the government to provide the parents details on the children's welfare and an expected date of reunification. [Read more »](#)

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Senate Committee Passes Geoffrey Starks' FCC Nomination

The Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation on Wednesday sent the nomination of current Federal Communications Commission official Geoffrey Starks to serve as an FCC commissioner to the Senate floor for consideration. [Read more »](#)

FCC Tosses News Distortion Claim In CBS Merger Dispute

The Federal Communications Commission rejected a challenge to Entercom Communications Corp.'s \$1.6 billion merger with CBS Radio Inc. on Tuesday from a pair of petitioners who alleged CBS' television stations engaged in "intentional news distortion" that called into question the company's "basic character qualifications" to hold an FCC license. [Read more »](#)

Sprint-T-Mobile Merger Will Multiply 5G Supply, Senate Told

Sprint and T-Mobile's top brass defended the benefits of their proposed merger before a Senate subcommittee on Wednesday, arguing that the companies' combination would not present anti-competitive challenges because together they will create more fifth-generation technology market share for everyone. [Read more »](#)

Alaska Gov. Won't Take Executive Action On Net Neutrality

Alaska's governor told state lawmakers last week that he won't take executive action to implement net neutrality rules after the Federal Communications Commission's repeal took affect earlier this month, saying instead he'd work with private companies like Microsoft to overcome the rural state's internet infrastructure challenges. [Read more »](#)

FEC Considers New Rules For Online Political Ad Disclosure

The Federal Elections Commission on Wednesday began two days of hearings on proposed changes to rules governing political ads on the internet, as the commission looks to improve transparency and clear up questions about disclosure requirements for the ads. [Read more »](#)

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Series

From Lawmaker To Lawyer: How Congress Affected My Career

Being a former member of Congress put me in an advantageous position when I approached law firms in the late '70s, at a time when there were few female lawyers, and even fewer African-American lawyers, in major law firms, says former Rep. Yvonne B. Burke, D-Calif., a director of Amtrak. [Read more »](#)

How Cakeshop Gives Religious Objectors Legal Ammunition

The U.S. Supreme Court's recent decision in Masterpiece Cakeshop v. Colorado Civil Rights Commission has been framed as much ado about nothing. But how the Supreme Court reached its result hands religious objectors a huge win in the form of potent ammunition for future legal fights, says Jesse Ryan Loffler of Cozen O'Connor. [Read more »](#)

SEC Administrative Proceedings After Lucia

Because of the U.S. Supreme Court's decision in *Lucia*, the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission will have to redo a series of administrative cases, potentially straining resources and possibly prompting the agency to tap new administrative law judges, says Daniel Walfish of Walfish & Fissell LLP. [Read more »](#)

Civil Forfeiture Abuse Is A Challenge To Civil Rights

Last month, Rustem Kazazi filed a lawsuit in federal court against U.S. Customs and Border Protection for seizing \$58,000 from him at an airport without charging him with a single criminal offense. The seize-first, investigate-later civil forfeiture regime now prevailing in the United States recalls the British crown's abusive tactics that helped spark the Revolutionary War, says Alexander Klein of Barket Epstein & Kearon LLP. [Read more »](#)

Are OCC's Reserve-Based Lending Guidelines Enforceable?

Following the Government Accountability Office's determination that the Interagency Guidance on Leveraged Lending did not comply with the Congressional Review Act, it would appear that the binding nature of the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency's handbook for oil and gas reserve-based loans should be similarly questioned, says Buddy Clark of Haynes and Boone LLP. [Read more »](#)

Limiting Law Firms' Professional Liability Risks: Part 1

Corporate law departments are increasingly demanding more concessions from outside legal counsel, and presenting engagement letters that open the door to greater professional and cyber liability exposure for law firms — often beyond the scope of their insurance coverage. Firms must add their own language to engagement letters to limit liability,

say Stuart Pattison and John Muller of Sompo International Holdings Ltd [Read more »](#)

LEGAL INDUSTRY

MoFo Hops On Associate Raise Train

Morrison & Foerster LLP joined the growing roster of law firms that have raised associate salaries and sweetened their paychecks with summer bonuses, according to an internal memo made public on Tuesday. [Read more »](#)

This BigLaw Firm Retakes Title Of Best To Work For

One firm was named the best law firm to work for after dominating Vault.com's quality of life rankings, the website said Wednesday, retaking the top spot after stepping down the podium to No. 3 last year. [Read more »](#)

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Analysis

Roberts Becomes True Power As 'Kennedy Court' Ends

The retirement of Justice Anthony Kennedy means that Chief Justice John Roberts is now the U.S. Supreme Court's most important member not just in title but also in reality, empowering him to advance a muscular conservative agenda and perhaps broker deals with outgunned liberals. [Read more »](#)

Delay On Kennedy Replacement 'Ain't Going To Happen': GOP

High-ranking Republicans on the Senate Judiciary Committee stood firm Thursday on keeping Majority Leader Mitch McConnell's promise to vote this fall on a replacement for retiring U.S. Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy, with one saying Democrats' calls to wait until after the November midterms "ain't going to happen." [Read more »](#)

Analysis

Why The Defense Bar Celebrates Kennedy

Associate Justice Anthony Kennedy spent his three decades on the high court making a name for himself as a champion of individual freedoms, but he also authored the majority opinion in *Ashcroft v. Iqbal* that changed



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Analysis

Post-Kennedy Court Likely To Take Narrow View Of Title VII

A circuit split on whether Title VII's ban on workplace sex discrimination includes bias based on sexual orientation had civil rights advocates hoping the U.S. Supreme Court would eventually declare that federal law protects gay workers, but Justice Anthony Kennedy's retirement means that's a long shot, experts say. [Read more »](#)

Analysis

Kennedy's Exit Puts Climate Change Regulations On Thin Ice

The retirement of U.S. Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy throws the future of federal climate change action into doubt, as experts say a more conservative high court could not only undo or neuter its landmark decision that greenhouse gases are pollutants, but also scuttle legal challenges of governmental decisions to regulate climate change and other environmental hazards. [Read more »](#)

Analysis

Kennedy Known For Careful Scrutiny Of Statutory Language

Retiring Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy is known — and will be missed — for his meticulous scrutiny of the language of the law, a characteristic that can be found in abundance in a 2008 majority opinion written by Kennedy that placed limits on who could be held liable in securities fraud class action cases, legal experts said Thursday. [Read more »](#)

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Presidential Power Key In Masterpiece, Travel Ban Divergence

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Cases at the U.S. Supreme Court this term over President Donald Trump's travel ban and a baker's refusal to make a wedding cake for a gay couple involved strikingly similar claims related to religious-based animus, but ultimately diverged because the justices chose not to second-guess the president's motives, constitutional scholars said. [Read more »](#)

Analysis

Nixing Trump's Favorite Trade Weapon Looks Like Long Shot

A new challenge to the expansive Cold War-era law President Donald Trump has used to slap tariffs on steel and aluminum imports will face a steep uphill climb, legal experts say, as the case will have to overcome nearly a century's worth of precedent on the constitutional separation of powers. [Read more »](#)

Senate Panel Punts On 3rd, 11th Circ. Picks Over Tariffs

The Senate Judiciary Committee advanced several district court picks on Thursday, even as Sen. Jeff Flake, R-Ariz., has continued to stonewall advancing nominees for the Third and Eleventh circuits until the chamber votes on a tariff measure. [Read more »](#)

Senate Passes Farm Bill, Sets Up Clash With House

The U.S. Senate passed a five-year overhaul and reauthorization of farm subsidy and nutrition support programs Thursday, setting up a clash with the House over work requirements for the food stamp program. [Read more »](#)

BANKING & SECURITIES

Deutsche Bank Unit Comes Up Short In Fed Stress Tests

The Federal Reserve Board said Thursday that Deutsche Bank Trust Corp.'s U.S. subsidiary has flunked the latest round of annual stress

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Quinn Emanuel
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testing over "material weaknesses" in its capital planning practices, while The Goldman Sachs Group Inc. and Morgan Stanley will have to keep buybacks and dividends steady because of side effects from last year's tax legislation. [Read more »](#)

ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL

FERC Commissioner Powelson To Step Down In August

Federal Energy Regulatory Commissioner Robert Powelson said Thursday he will step down in August, creating an even partisan split at the commission as it tackles weighty issues such as a pipeline policy revision and a potential U.S. Department of Energy bailout of coal and nuclear power plants. [Read more »](#)

Agencies Fight Tribes' Bid To Force Higher Lake Water Levels

Several federal agencies on Wednesday urged a California federal judge to reject the Klamath Tribes' request to immediately make the government maintain certain water levels in the Upper Klamath Lake for the protection of two fish species, arguing that the tribes are unlikely to win the case. [Read more »](#)

NJ Town Joins Growing Resistance To Plastic Bags

Jersey City, New Jersey, enacted an environmentally friendly ordinance Thursday banning merchants from using carryout bags made of plastic, following the lead of other Garden State towns that have identical laws in place and state lawmakers who want to curb the use of nonrecyclable takeout containers. [Read more »](#)

IP & TECHNOLOGY

Senate Panel Advances Bill To Overhaul Music Licensing

The Senate Judiciary Committee moved forward Thursday with a bill that would

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Congress of Industrial
Organizations
American Federation of State,
County and Municipal Employees
American Federation of Teachers
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Apple Inc.
Business Roundtable
Charter Communications Inc.
Chevron Corp.
Comcast Corporation
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Deutsche Bank AG
Dominion Energy Inc.
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Facebook

overhaul how Spotify and other online music services pay royalties, as well as how license holders for pre-1972 hits are compensated. [Read more »](#)

MEDIA & ENTERTAINMENT

Pa. Casinos Threaten To Sue Over Slot-Style Lottery Games

The operators of Pennsylvania's casinos are threatening a lawsuit over new online lottery offerings from the state that they say violate recently adopted gambling laws by improperly replicating casino-style games. [Read more »](#)

REAL ESTATE

NJ City Accused Of Anti-Trump Bias In Kushner Project Fight

Jersey City has been slammed with a New Jersey federal lawsuit alleging municipal officials have attempted to drive out the real estate development firm owned by the family of White House senior adviser Jared Kushner as a partner in a redevelopment project because of the mayor's "political animus" toward Republican President Donald Trump. [Read more »](#)

EMPLOYMENT

4 Post-Janus Developments You Need To Know

Although the ink is barely dry on the U.S. Supreme Court's landmark Janus decision barring public-sector unions from collecting so-called fair share fees from workers, the ruling has spurred quick actions to handle the fallout, including from congressional Democrats, nearly two dozen mayors and a right-to-work nonprofit. Here, Law360 looks at four post-Janus developments to keep tabs on. [Read more »](#)

NJ Agency Must Turn Over Complaints In Racial Bias Suit

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First Reserve Corp.
Goldman Sachs Group Inc.
Google Inc.
Honeywell International Inc.
Huawei Technologies
International Association of Privacy Professionals
JPMorgan Chase & Co.
Kaspersky Lab Ltd.
KeyCorp
Lambda Legal Defense & Educational Fund
Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law
Lyft Inc.
M&T Bank Corporation
Microsoft Corporation
Mobilitie LLC
Morgan Stanley
NBCUniversal Inc.
National Education Association
National Right to Work Legal Defense Foundation
New York Times Co.
Oculus VR LLC
Public Knowledge
Sabine Oil & Gas Corp.
Schlumberger Limited
Service Employees International Union
Sierra Club
Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc.
Spectrum Management Holding Co.
Spotify Technology SA
State Street Corp.
Stoneridge, Inc.
Theranos Inc.

A New Jersey appeals court on Wednesday ordered two state agencies to turn over bias complaints in a racial discrimination suit against the agencies, ruling that the state's concerns about the privacy of employees who made those complaints were unfounded. Read more »

Mass. Gov. Signs Family Leave, Minimum Wage Bill

Republican Massachusetts Gov. Charlie Baker on Thursday signed legislation that will gradually raise the state's minimum wage, implement a family and medical leave policy and make a sales tax holiday permanent, according to his office. Read more »

COMPETITION

FCC Urged To Halt Sinclair-Tribune Deal Over Rules Review

Nonprofit groups Public Knowledge and Common Cause on Thursday told the Federal Communications Commission to wait before deciding if Sinclair Broadcast Group Inc. can merge with Tribune Media Co. until after the D.C. Circuit has looked at whether the agency's viewership discounts under its UHF rule are lawful. Read more »

CYBERSECURITY & PRIVACY

DC Circ. Expects Quick Response To Kaspersky's Stay Bid

The D.C. Circuit on Thursday gave the federal government a little more than a week to respond to an emergency request to stay a planned ban on federal contracts for Kaspersky Lab, after the company argued the government had moved up the effective date of the ban. Read more »

Calif. Enacts Internet Privacy Law, Erasing Ballot Effort

California Gov. Jerry Brown on Thursday signed a landmark privacy bill that will give

Tribune Media Co.

Twitter Inc.

Verizon Communications Inc.

Wells Fargo & Co.

ZTE Corp.

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Bureau of Reclamation

California Secretary of State

Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation

Congressional Budget Office

Department of Commerce

European Commission

European Union

Federal Aviation Administration

Federal Bureau of Investigation

Federal Communications Commission

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Federal Labor Relations Authority

Federal Reserve System

Federal Trade Commission

Fish and Wildlife Service

Florida Department of Environmental Protection

Georgia Attorney General's Office

Internal Revenue Service

International Trade Administration

International Trade Commission

Klamath Tribes

Massachusetts Legislature

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National Marine Fisheries Service

New Jersey Attorney General's Office

Port Authority of New York & New Jersey

consumers the ability to control how online companies use and share their personal information and to request its deletion, prompting the backers of a similar but potentially more stringent privacy initiative set to appear on the November election ballot to withdraw their proposal. [Read more »](#)

AEROSPACE & DEFENSE

House Passes \$675B Defense Spending Bill

The U.S. House of Representatives on Thursday easily passed its nearly \$675 billion bill funding the U.S. Department of Defense for 2019, while rejecting a proposal to add more funding for attack submarines, as a Senate panel approved its own version of the bill. [Read more »](#)

INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Commerce Hands Down Early Tariffs On Asian Pipe Imports

The U.S. Department of Commerce moved to slap tariffs on imports of large-diameter welded pipes from several Asian countries, determining that producers from India, South Korea, China and Turkey had been unfairly subsidized by their respective governments. [Read more »](#)

TAX

IRS Commissioner Nominee Queried On Pass-Through Deduction

Charles Rettig, nominee for Internal Revenue Service commissioner, was questioned Thursday by a member of the Senate Finance Committee about the 20 percent deduction for certain pass-through income included in last year's federal tax overhaul legislation. [Read more »](#)

Calif. Gov. OKs Soda Tax Ban, Citing Beverage Biz Threat

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U.S. Department of Energy
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
U.S. Department of Homeland Security
U.S. Department of Justice
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
U.S. House of Representatives
U.S. Senate
U.S. Supreme Court

California Gov. Jerry Brown on Thursday signed a measure that blocks cities and counties from enacting taxes on soda and other sugar-filled drinks through 2030, citing the threat of a beverage industry ballot measure that went away with the swipe of his pen. [Read more »](#)

IMMIGRATION

Senate OKs Bill To Grant New Zealanders Access To E Visas

The U.S. Senate on Thursday unanimously passed a bill that would add New Zealand to the list of countries participating in the E visa program, which allows nationals of certain foreign countries to temporarily reside in the U.S. to conduct trade and investment operations. [Read more »](#)

Feds Ordered To Halt Release Policy For NY Detained Minors

A New York federal court on Wednesday ordered the federal government to pause its policy requiring the head of an immigration agency to personally review and sign off on the release of detained minors who have been held in a more restrictive setting, certifying a class of children held in the state. [Read more »](#)

Trump's Remarks Did Not 'Taint' DACA Rollback, 9th Circ. Told

The Trump administration on Thursday urged the Ninth Circuit to find that, under the U.S. Supreme Court's travel ban ruling earlier this week, President Donald Trump's derogatory statements on the campaign trail regarding Mexicans similarly "did not taint" the administration's plan to end the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program. [Read more »](#)

Pro Bono Spotlight

BigLaw Jumps Into Immigration Fray

In response to the administration's zero-tolerance and family separation policies,

BigLaw firms across the country are partnering with each other and a constellation of nonprofits to provide pro bono legal aid to parents and children seeking to be reunited and be granted asylum. [Read more »](#)

NATIVE AMERICAN

Law Enforcement Can't Stop Wash. Tribe's Fireworks Sales

A Washington federal court on Thursday granted a request by the Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation for immediate relief to prevent law enforcement from halting their members from selling fireworks sanctioned by tribal permit or confiscating the merchandise. [Read more »](#)

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

FCC's O'Rielly Says Admin Hearings Wrongly Kill Mergers

The Federal Communications Commission's administrative law judge system is one of the easiest ways to strangle a proposed media merger, Commissioner Michael O'Rielly suggested Thursday, saying in a speech that the agency's in-house review process should be scrapped. [Read more »](#)

Municipal Broadband May Present Free Speech Concerns

While municipally operated broadband networks may be an attractive option after the recent net neutrality rule deregulation, an expert warned Thursday that government-run networks can raise free speech concerns. [Read more »](#)

Rosenworcel Offers San Jose Small Cell Deals As 5G Model

Federal Communications
Commissioner Jessica Rosenworcel is promoting contracts approved by the city of San Jose, California, for the deployment of 5G next generation broadband as a solution to

conflicts between carriers' need for access to utility poles with local governments' demand to control the terms of telecom attachments.
[Read more »](#)

Microsoft Urges Limited 'White Spaces' Spectrum Program

Microsoft Corp. has urged the Federal Communications Commission to preserve the status quo on its "white spaces" project, a plan to repurpose gaps between channels to power Wi-Fi-like signals in rural areas, which has proven to be controversial with groups that have complained the tech giant never participated in auctions and therefore isn't entitled to spectrum. [Read more »](#)

EXPERT ANALYSIS

Series

From Lawmaker To Lawyer: Prioritizing Is Always Key

Today, members of Congress often seem able to blame colleagues of the other party for not getting anything done for their constituents. In law practice, you can't really blame a bad result for your clients on the lawyers on the other side, says former Sen. Joe Lieberman, D-Conn., of Kasowitz Benson Torres LLP. [Read more »](#)

The E-Sign Act: 18 Years And All Grown Up

As the Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act — signed by President Bill Clinton on June 30, 2000 — reaches the age of maturity after being tested in the courts, and as more employers adopt or broaden their use of electronic signatures, now is a good time to review the basic requirements and lessons learned from the developing case law, says August Heckman of Morgan Lewis & Bockius LLP. [Read more »](#)

Trump V. Hawaii Left To The 'Moral Judgments Of History'

In *Trump v. Hawaii*, the U.S. Supreme Court recently found that Congress “delegated” to the president the “comprehensive” power to suspend the entry of any noncitizens whose admission he found “detrimental” to American interests. The crux of the majority’s decision: No fig leaves here, says Joseph Tartakovsky, the James Wilson fellow in constitutional law at the Claremont Institute. [Read more »](#)

After Janus, Employers Should Proceed With Caution

The long-awaited decision in *Janus v. AFSCME* was the second within a month in which the U.S. Supreme Court ruled against unions, putting employers in a strong position at the bargaining table. But if employers appear too eager to exploit the moment, they risk facing a backlash, say Jack Schaedel and Christian Scali of Scali Rasmussen. [Read more »](#)

What You Should Know About The 24/7 Cybercrime Network

The CLOUD Act raises the possibility of agreements between the U.S. and EU on law enforcement access to digital evidence, and the EU’s proposed “e-evidence” regulation would streamline law enforcement access to data among its 28 member states. These two actions will greatly change the way that the G7’s 24/7 Cybercrime Network operates, says Chris Ott of Davis Wright Tremaine LLP. [Read more »](#)

IRS Delivers Double Whammy To Owners Of Escheated IRAs

Custodians of individual retirement accounts that escheat to the state will soon be required by the IRS to withhold 10 percent for federal income tax and report the escheatment as a taxable distribution to the owner. It is unclear whether the new rules provide any relief from the taxes and penalties these IRA owners may

face, says Daniel Morgan of Blank Rome LLP.
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LEGAL INDUSTRY

Paul Hastings, Cadwalader Move On Associate Pay Raises

Cadwalader Wickersham & Taft LLP, Paul Hastings LLP and Thompson & Knight LLP were among the firms that said they would be joining the trend of hiking salaries and offering mid-year bonuses for associates, according to internal memos made public on Thursday.
[Read more »](#)

Sedgwick Faces New, \$23M Landlord Suit Over NY Lease

The owner of the building that housed Sedgwick LLP's New York financial district office said the now-defunct law firm missed a payment related to the early termination of its lease and, as a result of the breach of contract, owes \$23 million, according to a suit filed in state court just days after the landlords of its Chicago office made similar claims. [Read more »](#)

Foley Hoag Extends 18-Week Leave Policy To All Parents

Foley Hoag LLP has announced that it is implementing a new parental leave policy that offers up to 18 weeks off in the 12 months after the birth or adoption of a child for all parents, regardless of whether they are the primary caregiver or not. [Read more »](#)

V&E Attys Hurt In Boat Crash, Partner Pilot Faces Questions

A Vinson & Elkins LLP partner was hit with an arrest warrant earlier this month over his alleged role piloting a boat that crashed in Travis County, Texas, injuring three of his fellow partners, according to documents filed in state court, though the warrant has reportedly since been rescinded. [Read more »](#)

Law360's Weekly Verdict: Legal Lions & Lambs

Williams & Connolly LLP partner Kannon Shanmugam landed on the legal lions list after the U.S. Supreme Court granted review on three of his cases during the past week, while attorneys at Haynes and Boone and Skadden ended up legal lambs after a judge slashed client ZeniMax's \$500 million intellectual property verdict in half. [Read more »](#)

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Law360 Reveals The Global 20 Firms Of 2018

What makes a law firm truly global? What does it take to handle the biggest and most complex cross-border matters? These firms know. Here, Law360 reveals its eighth annual ranking of the firms with the most international clout. [Read more »](#)

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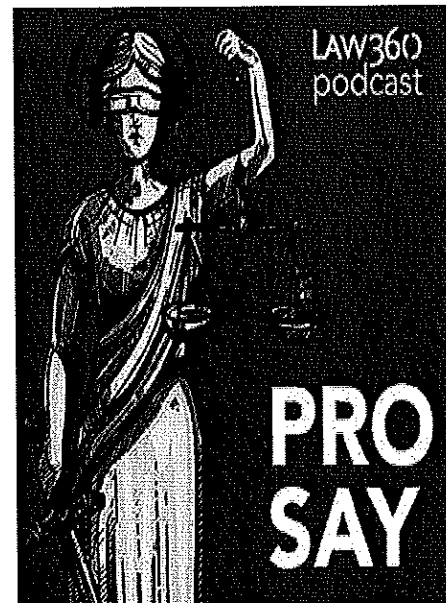
Global Law Firms Bulk Up In Europe As Brexit Approaches

With Britain less than a year from exiting the European Union, firms on Law360's Global 20 have begun pushing deeper into the countries remaining in the bloc, adding offices and industry specialists in a shift that could rebalance how BigLaw works in the region. [Read more »](#)

Feature

How Smaller Firms Can Go Global Without Going Bankrupt

Setting up shop across the globe may seem impossible for smaller law firms, but it can be done — and it's not the only way to get business overseas. Here, Law360 looks at



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New Mexican Prez May Slow But Won't Stop Energy Reform

While cross-border energy attorneys don't expect Mexican President-elect Andres Manuel López Obrador to undo landmark constitutional reforms that opened up the country's energy sector to private and foreign investment in the last five years, they warn that he may slow down the pace of denationalization. [Read more »](#)

Trump Interviews Utah Sen. Mike Lee For Supreme Court

President Donald Trump added another name to the latest round of speculation about who will fill Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy's seat — interviewing Sen. Mike Lee, R-Utah, for the vacancy Monday, Lee's office and the White House confirmed Tuesday. [Read more »](#)

Feature

Biggest Benefits Policy Developments In 2018: Midyear Report

So far this year, the U.S. Department of Labor has clarified how companies can include socially conscious investments in 401(k) plan lineups, test whether health care plans comply with mental-health parity laws and ensure retirement advisers aren't placing the company in legal hot water. Here's a look back at the major benefits policy developments from the first half of 2018. [Read more »](#)

Putin Aimed To Put Trump In Presidency, Senate Panel Agrees

The Senate Select Committee on Intelligence on Tuesday released initial findings from its review of a U.S. intelligence community assessment produced last year that backed its conclusion that the Russian government

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sought to help Donald Trump win the White House. Read more »

Sessions Cites 'Rule Of Law' In Nixing 24 DOJ Guidance Docs

Attorney General Jeff Sessions on Tuesday rescinded 24 U.S. Department of Justice guidance documents that he considered "unnecessary, outdated, inconsistent with existing law, or otherwise improper," striking down Obama-era stances on issues like affirmative action, refugees' right to work and juveniles in the criminal justice system. Read more »

BANKING & SECURITIES

CFPB Structure Is Unconstitutional, 5th Circ. Hears

A Mississippi check cashing and payday loan company fighting a Consumer Financial Protection Bureau enforcement action has told the Fifth Circuit that the consumer watchdog agency is unconstitutionally structured and can't be fixed except by striking down the law that set it up. Read more »

NY Wants Banks To Offer Services To Med. Marijuana Cos.

New York's banking regulator is urging its state-chartered banks and credit unions to offer banking services to the state's legal medical marijuana-related businesses, issuing guidance Tuesday that the agency said is intended to clear up the regulatory landscape in light of the drug's continued prohibition under federal law. Read more »

ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL

EPA Extends Comment Period On Cost-Benefit Review Rules

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has extended the public comment period for its consideration of new regulations that would control how it determines the costs and

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benefits of regulatory actions that impact the public and businesses, according to a notice published in the Federal Register on Tuesday. [Read more »](#)

DC Circ. Won't Revisit Decision On EPA Boiler Startup Rule

The D.C. Circuit on Tuesday rejected a rehearing request from the Sierra Club and other environmental groups that disagreed with a portion of its ruling on boiler emissions that pertain to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's startup and shutdown rules that the groups said did not go far enough. [Read more »](#)

Pa. Looks To Raise Permit Fee Cost For Fracking Wells

The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection on Monday proposed more than doubling the application fee for new hydraulic fracturing oil and gas wells, an increase it says is necessary to continue funding the state's well-plugging fund. [Read more »](#)

HEALTH & LIFE SCIENCES

Medical Pot Smoking Ban Stays In Place As Fla. Fights On

Patients hoping to smoke medical marijuana in Florida will have to wait for the conclusion of the state's appeal of a decision finding an existing ban unconstitutional, after the appeals court reinstated an automatic stay on the lower court's decision Tuesday. [Read more »](#)

MEDIA & ENTERTAINMENT

Conn. Tells MGM To Butt Out In Suit Over Gambling Deal

Connecticut has once again urged a D.C. federal court to reject MGM Resorts International's bid to intervene in a suit by the state and two tribes against the federal government over its alleged inaction on

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Deloitte Touche
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Ernst & Young
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JPMorgan Chase & Co.
Kaspersky Lab Ltd.
Law Foundation of Silicon Valley
Level 3 Communications Inc.
Lex Mundi Ltd
MGM Resorts International
Mohegan Sun
NBCUniversal Inc.
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National Association of Home Builders
National Center for Youth Law
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National Employment Law Project
Natural Resources Defense Council
Nordic Capital Ltd.
PHH Corporation
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Public Company Accounting Oversight Board
SanDisk Corporation
Siemens AG
Sierra Club

changes to a tribal-state gambling deal, arguing that MGM's involvement is improper. [Read more »](#)

EMPLOYMENT

DC Circ. Mulls Review Of Browning-Ferris Joint Employer Row

Browning-Ferris Industries urged a D.C. Circuit panel in oral arguments Tuesday not to resume review of an Obama-era decision from the National Labor Relations Board against the company expanding the joint employer standard that controls when multiple companies can be deemed responsible for workers. [Read more »](#)

NJ Gov. OKs Bill Giving Public Unions Pension Fund Control

New Jersey Gov. Phil Murphy on Tuesday signed off on a bill that will transfer the management of the police and firefighters public pension fund from the state to a board of trustees after the state legislature accepted recommendations he made when he conditionally vetoed the bill in May. [Read more »](#)

Feature

The FLSA Turns 80: How Plaintiffs Want The Law Updated

The Fair Labor Standards Act celebrated its 80th birthday last week, and legal experts on both sides of the worker-management divide say the landmark law is showing its age. Here, Law360 looks at how employment attorneys who represent workers say Congress should bring the statute into the 21st century. [Read more »](#)

8th Circ. Nixes Contempt Ruling In DOL Wage Probe

The Eighth Circuit ruled Tuesday that a restaurant shouldn't be held in civil contempt for not turning over documents about its owners' other businesses to the U.S.

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Southern Poverty Law Center
Starbucks Corporation
Take-Two Interactive Software, Inc.
Telenor ASA
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The ERISA Industry Committee
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Department of Labor since it didn't have those documents in its possession, adding that the agency isn't allowed to use judicial contempt orders to essentially mount a "fishing expedition." [Read more »](#)

CYBERSECURITY & PRIVACY

Analysis

Calif. Privacy Law To Spark GDPR-Like Compliance Efforts

The California privacy law hastily enacted last week will require online giants, telecoms, retailers and a host of others to overhaul the way they manage personal data and interact with consumers, likely prompting many companies to build on similar efforts they've made to comply with the European Union's sweeping general data protection regulation, attorneys say. [Read more »](#)

INTERNATIONAL TRADE

EU Rips Trump For Mulling Car Tariffs Tied To US Security

The European Union has warned the Trump administration against installing tariffs on its cars, trucks and auto parts, blasting the suggestion that these imports are threatening the national security of the United States, according to its comments circulated Monday. [Read more »](#)

TAX

NJ Gov. Signs \$425M Tax Credit Bill For Film, Digital Media

New Jersey Gov. Phil Murphy on Tuesday signed legislation authorizing a \$425 million film and digital media tax credit program after state legislators adopted his recommended changes to extend the tax breaks to reality television shows, and to permit an additional tax incentive to encourage the hiring of women and minorities. [Read more »](#)

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IMMIGRATION

9th Circ. Revives Chinese Woman's Asylum Bid

The Ninth Circuit on Monday sent back to the Board of Immigration Appeals a Chinese woman's bid for either asylum or withholding of removal after determining that she credibly testified that the Chinese government physically forced her to have an abortion. [Read more »](#)

Judge Considers Bad Faith In Census Citizenship Query Row

A Manhattan federal judge indicated Tuesday that he is unlikely to dismiss a challenge to the Trump administration's addition of a question about citizenship status to the 2020 census, and added he sees reason to suspect bad faith on the part of a Cabinet member who has given shifting explanations for the origin of the controversial policy. [Read more »](#)

ACLU Fights To Uphold Flores Protections For Immigrant Kids

The American Civil Liberties Union urged a California federal court Monday to uphold protections for immigrant children who are detained at the border, arguing the government cannot detain children with their parents for extended periods in order to deter other families from crossing the border illegally. [Read more »](#)

NATIVE AMERICAN

Navajo Can't Get Contempt Order In Gerrymandering Suit

A Utah federal judge won't find San Juan County in contempt after the Navajo Nation alleged that the municipality was flouting a court order requiring it to use certain election districts recommended by a special master for the upcoming November 2018 elections in a

U.S. House Committee on Energy and Commerce

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dispute over racial gerrymandering. [Read more »](#)

ND Native Voters Urge 8th Circ. To Keep Block On ID Law

A group of Native Americans urged the Eighth Circuit on Monday to preserve a North Dakota federal judge's injunction that blocked portions of a 2017 state voter identification law for discriminating against Native voters, saying the state had furnished no evidence of voter fraud that would justify the law. [Read more »](#)

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Trump Admin Urges FCC To Block Chinese Common Carrier

A group of federal agencies with national security and technology management missions have urged the Federal Communications Commission to block a powerful Chinese telecom operator from expanding its networks to the U.S. [Read more »](#)

NBCU Pushes FCC To Create Video Description Safe Harbor

Comcast-NBCU has urged the Federal Communications Commission to let it count more of its programming toward the mandated number of hours broadcasters must air shows with video-descriptions, which allow the blind and sight-impaired to listen to narrated versions of TV programs. [Read more »](#)

Pai Looks To Strengthen FCC Probes Of Hiring Bias In Media

Federal Communications Commission Chairman Ajit Pai proposed a plan Tuesday that would enhance the commission's enforcement resources to investigate discrimination in the communications industry. [Read more »](#)

FCC Asks DC Circ. To Pause Small-Cell Rule Challenges

The Federal Communications Commission asked the D.C. Circuit to put on hold combined challenges from Native American tribes and environmentalists to an agency rule exempting from environmental and historic reviews small-cell fixtures necessary for building up next-generation or 5G networks. [Read more »](#)

Sprint Urges FCC To Clarify Local Carrier Fee Rules

Sprint representatives met with the Federal Communications Commission on Tuesday to urge the agency to resolve legal questions surrounding whether carriers must pay local access charges even for wireless users making local calls, a dispute over compensation that has been playing out in multidistrict litigation for several years. [Read more »](#)

Pai Elevates FCC Broadband Deployment Panel Members

Federal Communications Commission Chairman Ajit Pai announced the elevation of two members of the agency's Broadband Deployment Advisory Committee on Monday, with one named vice chair and the other appointed to the full committee from one of its working groups. [Read more »](#)

WHITE COLLAR

Manafort Seeks Juror Questions On Politics, Media Habits

Former Trump campaign chair Paul Manafort is very interested in the political leanings and media diet of prospective jurors in his looming trial for financial crimes, a request for jury questions filed in Virginia federal court has shown. [Read more »](#)

Ex-Rep. Schock Will Ask Justices To Examine Fraud Charges

Former U.S. Rep. Aaron Schock will ask the U.S. Supreme Court to consider whether his indictment on charges he misused campaign

and government money to support a lavish lifestyle clashes with the U.S. Constitution's speech-or-debate clause and rule-making clause, according to a court filing. [Read more »](#)

Insurer Witness In Skelos Trial Grilled Over NY Sanction

Attorneys for former New York state Senate Majority Leader Dean Skelos and his son Adam on Tuesday went after a government witness who says he gave the younger Skelos a job in part to keep key state legislation to his insurance company viable, by questioning him over a state regulator's finding that he engaged in misconduct at a medical malpractice insurer. [Read more »](#)

EXPERT ANALYSIS

Inside The NLRB's General Counsel Memo On Boeing

Last month, National Labor Relations Board General Counsel Peter Robb clarified how he expects the agency's regional directors will apply the 2017 Boeing Co. opinion when considering unfair labor practice charges concerning work rules and handbook policies. Unions and employees can take solace in the fact that the GC appears committed to case-by-case evaluation, say Steven Swirsky and Genevieve Murphy-Bradacs of Epstein Becker Green. [Read more »](#)

Some Good Prop 65 News For Businesses

It is rare for anything having to do with California's infamous Proposition 65 warning law to be welcomed by businesses, but a dizzying flurry of recent developments may prove an exception, say attorneys with Morrison & Foerster LLP. [Read more »](#)

A Look At Chicago's Data Protection Proposal

The Chicago City Council is considering privacy legislation that would regulate online

businesses that collect or broker sensitive personal information. Enacting this ordinance would ensure that Illinois remains at the forefront of the country's ongoing privacy debates, says Molly DiRago of Troutman Sanders LLP. [Read more »](#)

Opinion

Washington State Should Amend Its Anti-Rebate Laws

Due to Washington state's anti-rebate laws, Zenefits customers in Washington now pay over \$1,000 per year for a service that should be free. If a law advances no legitimate policy objective, and its net effect is to harm consumers, then the legislature should change the law, say Nicholas Gregory and Shawn Hanson of Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP. [Read more »](#)

Opinion

Centrist Analysis Of Justice Kennedy's Retirement Is Flawed

In telling Democrats and progressives not to melt down over the prospect of President Trump appointing another U.S. Supreme Court justice following Justice Anthony Kennedy's retirement, the centrists make four main arguments. None of them are convincing, says Gordon Renneisen of Cornerstone Law Group. [Read more »](#)

Roundup

From Lawmaker To Lawyer

Earlier this year, Rep. Trey Gowdy, R-S.C., made headlines with his decision to leave Congress and return to law. In this series, former members of Congress who made that move discuss how their experience on the Hill influenced their law practice. [Read more »](#)

LEGAL INDUSTRY

Global 20: White & Case

Working across far-flung offices to secure hundreds of billions in deals that include Eastern and central Europe's largest-ever

telecom transaction while also fielding major cross-border disputes, White & Case LLP again earned a spot on Law360's Global 20. [Read more »](#)

Feature

High Court Nomination Watch: DC Circ.'s Brett Kavanaugh

Unlike others considered favorites to replace U.S. Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy, D.C. Circuit Judge Brett Kavanaugh has a voluminous judicial record after 12 years on the federal appellate bench — one that reflects his strong conservative views on the law. [Read more »](#)

Feature

Law Firms Beware: Big 4 Leaders Eye More Legal Growth

The Big Four's march into the legal industry has been relentless over the past decade, and leaders of Deloitte and EY told Law360 in recent interviews that onlookers should only expect a ramping-up of their expansion into the legal market going forward. [Read more »](#)

Sheppard Mullin, Herbert Smith Tout Associate Pay Shifts

Sheppard Mullin Richter & Hampton LLP announced on Tuesday that it would join the throng of firms offering associates base salary hikes according to the new market standard established in June, while international firm Herbert Smith Freehills LLP made public the rollout of a new compensation system for British associates that focuses more on performance than seniority. [Read more »](#)

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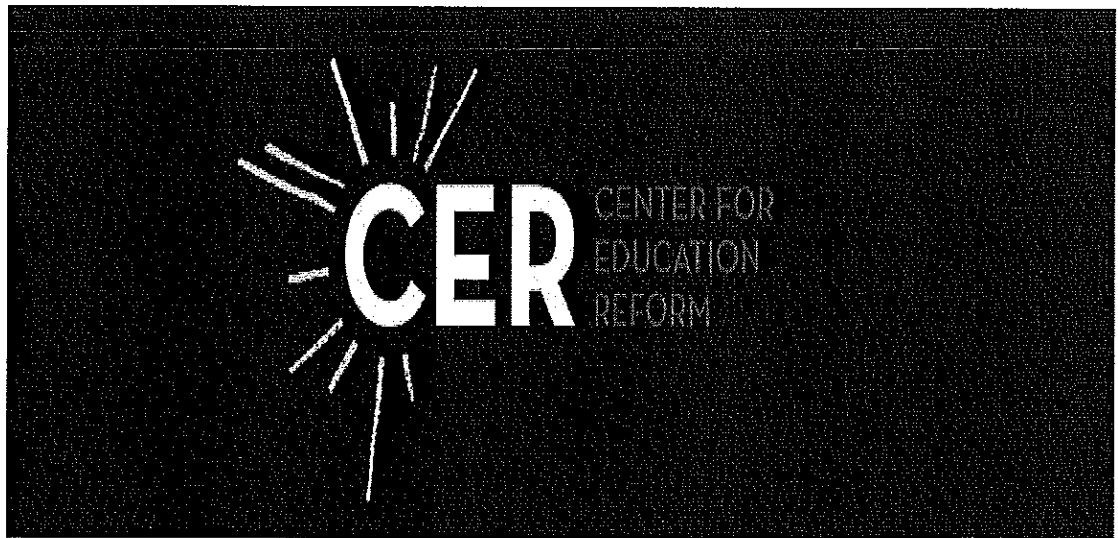
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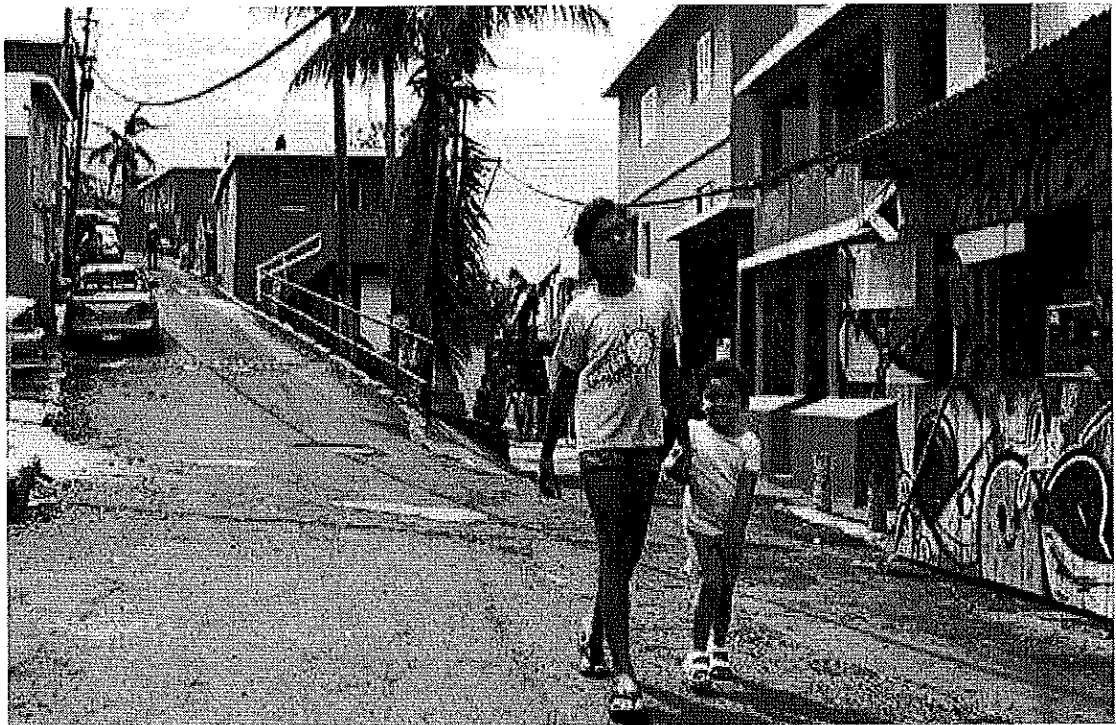
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A NEW HOPE FOR RELIGIOUS SCHOOLS' FREEDOM? The President's nominee to fill the vacancy that Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy will create is Brett Kavanaugh, whose long history of rulings and opinions on education issues may allow for progress and real change for religious schools and school equity: *[Does A Justice Kavanaugh Mean That Blaine Amendments Are History?](#)*

A SETBACK IN PUERTO RICO. A frustrating turn of events in Puerto Rico where the hopes and plans to increase educational opportunities and innovations are being held up a judge's ruling that private school scholarships

violate Puerto Rico's Constitution and that only the University of Puerto Rico and Puerto Rico's municipalities can operate "*alianza*" (i.e. charter) schools.

Sadly, this is another case of putting children last when it comes to meeting their educational needs and, with hope, will only be a temporary set-back in delivering Gov. Rosselló's hugely needed, and hugely promising reforms. The good news is that we've seen this movie before, and the flawed decisions of courts from Washington state to Florida are usually based on education powers in constitutions not legislative powers, which in most Constitutions take precedence. Check out this review, for example, from former U.S. Solicitor General Paul Clement, about a similar issue claimed but not litigated in Kentucky. We'll keep you posted.



NEA: THE "NOT EDUCATION ASSOCIATION." Somehow the NEA thought it appropriate to dedicate nearly two-thirds of the resolutions at its annual conference last week to everything BUT education? What are some of the NEA's priority issues? Here's a sample. Ensuring that Banana Republic doesn't

advertise with the union. Creating a toolkit to press for moratoria on charter school authorizations by bodies other than locally elected school boards. Advocating for lower interest rates and affordable housing programs for educators. And planning at least one action to shut down an immigration detention center, a Customs and Border Patrol office, or an Immigration and Customs Enforcement office (and recruiting at least 500 educators to participate in the action who are willing to be arrested and not bailed out of jail for a week!).

AFT ALSO OUT OF TOUCH. As the AFT gears up for its rollicking annual convention and demagoguery fest we thought we'd brief you on the issues they'd be debating this year...that is until we looked at the list of a whopping 91 resolutions from 13 committees that are more appropriate to a meeting of the U.N. General Assembly than they are to addressing the educational needs of America's children and families. To be fair, they do have an "Educational Issues Committee" but things go sideways fast when we get to the committees on Healthcare, Human Rights, International Relations, Labor and the Economy, Political Action ("Resolution No. 53 'Rev It Up: Register, Educate, Vote!') and Organizing and Collective Bargaining. Suffice it to say they will be discussing a lot of things, most of which have little or nothing to do with educating children. If you are so inclined, you can read every word of every resolution [here](#).

NOTE TO UNIONS: You're supposed to be looking for ways to improve your standing after Janus not get farther away from the mission upon which you were founded.

HEARING IT DIRECTLY FROM MARK JANUS. Along with many of our most respected colleagues, we've been glued to the Janus v. AFSCME litigation proceedings since the beginning. We've [covered](#), [interviewed](#) and reported on the subject. But nothing compares to hearing it from the horse's mouth. [Here's](#) Mark Janus explaining his "why" after the historic decision.

TO NBC: NOT TO SAY, 'WE TOLD YOU SO' BUT... The Grade, by Alexander Russo, offers up a great article over the irresponsibly story alleging charter schools are creating "white flight" from traditional public schools. The contention is absurd, and we said so, but the Grade goes even further. A very brief synopsis of its critique: *"...unfortunately, the [NBC/Hechinger] piece fails badly at its larger attempt, which is to assert that this kind of charter school is a significant problem nationally. Despite all efforts to make it seem otherwise, the data presented in the story do not support the claim that segregated white charters are a big problem."* Read the full article here.

COMPETITION. Pennsylvania's Bensalem school district hired a consultant to tell them why so many families were choosing charter schools over district schools. The consultant's explanation: with charter schools as an option for families, districts must compete for students, which means they have to improve in areas where they are lacking – be that in performance or programs or in working with parents. "Of course," the article concludes correctly, "competition is what the charter school law was supposed to produce — because competition drives excellence." = 2

THE ROAD TO INNOVATION IS PAVED WITH SILVER... This week we are pleased to announce the addition of Arizona State University as a partner in CER's Silver Anniversary Summit. We're grateful for the pathbreaking leadership of ASU and it's visionary president Michael Crow in their myriad endeavors. Start your engines and make your way to Miami on October 26th! Registration opens this week!



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Sent: Friday, January 1, 2016 9:00 AM

To: Rep48

Subject: Ashbrook to host Fox & Friends Co-host Brian Kilmeade in Mansfield



Brian Kilmeade

Co-Host of *Fox & Friends*

Friday, January 22, 2016 at 7:30 PM

Mansfield's Renaissance Theatre



Greetings,

I would like to bring your attention to a special event being held on **Friday, January 22** in Mansfield.

You are invited to join the Ashbrook Center as we host best-selling author **Brian Kilmeade**. Kilmeade is well known as co-host of the popular *Fox & Friends* news program and host of the nationally syndicated radio program, *Kilmeade and Friends*.

Kilmeade will provide an in-depth look at his new book, *THOMAS JEFFERSON AND THE TRIPOLI PIRATES*. He will discuss Jefferson, pirates and national security.

Tickets for general seating in the Renaissance Theatre are available for \$20 each. A book signing will follow.

Kilmeade's book, co-authored by Don Yaeger, was released in November and has already hit #2 on the *New York Times* Best Sellers list. He has written three additional books, two of which are also *New York Times* best sellers, "*The Games Do Count*", "*It's How You Play the Game*", and "*George Washington's Secret Six*", also co-written with Don Yaeger.

This event is the first *Peter W. Schramm Memorial Lecture* and is being graciously sponsored by Samuel H. and Maria Miller and co-sponsored by WMAN Radio. Additional opportunities to co-sponsor the event are available and include a limited number of reserved seat tickets for dinner with Kilmeade before the evening's keynote address.

The event is being held at the Mansfield Renaissance Theatre located at 138 Park Avenue West in Mansfield, Oh 44902.

To purchase tickets or obtain additional information about sponsorship opportunities, visit ashbrook.org/events/kilmeade or contact Jennifer Nixon at the Ashbrook Center at 877-289-5411 or jnixon@ashbrook.org.

I hope to see you there.

Warmest regards,

Roger L. Beckett
Executive Director

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To: Rep48
Subject: Your Invitation to an Evening with Brian Kilmeade



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Location: Mansfield's Renaissance Theatre



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From: Sally Schramm

Sent: Wednesday, March 16, 2016 11:59 AM

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Subject: Your Invitation to Ashbrook Planning for Life Workshop



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From: Ashbrook Center
Sent: Thursday, March 24, 2016 10:56 AM
To: Rep48
Subject: Invitation to April 19th Ashbrook Luncheon



Join us for lunch and a

Major Issues Lecture

on Tuesday, April 19, 2016

Jason Riley, Manhattan Institute Senior Fellow

"The State Against Blacks"

12:00 p.m.

John C. Myers Convocation Center at Ashland University

Jason Riley is a senior fellow at the Manhattan Institute and a columnist for the *Wall Street Journal*, where he worked for more than 20 years writing opinion pieces on politics, economics, education, immigration and race, among other subjects. He's also a commentator for Fox News, where he has appeared for more than a decade, and a frequent public speaker.

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Sent: Wednesday, April 6, 2016 9:40 AM
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Subject: Your Invitation to the 31st Annual John M. Ashbrook Memorial Dinner



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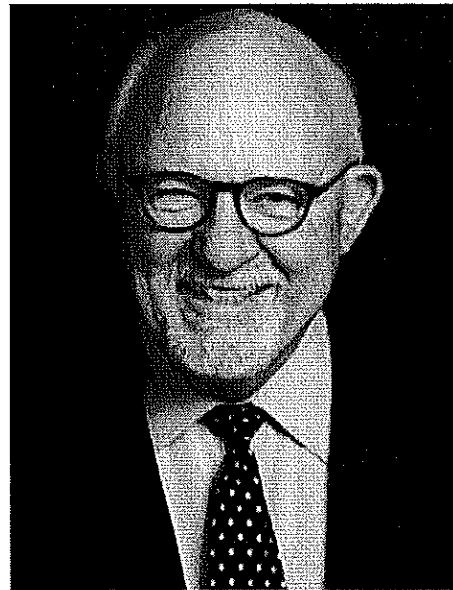
Ed Rollins

Wednesday, April 27

Myers Convocation Center, Ashland University

Doors Open: 5:30 pm

Dinner 6:30 pm



In this season of defining political campaigns, we are honored to host one of the nation's finest political consultants at the Ashbrook Memorial Dinner. In 1984, Ed Rollins ran Ronald Reagan's re-election campaign that won 49 of 50 states in the Electoral College.

Before and after the 1984 election, Mr. Rollins worked in the Reagan White House. He accompanied President Reagan to Ashland when he inaugurated the Ashbrook Center in 1983, and we are pleased to welcome him back.

We now have the pleasure of regularly seeing Mr. Rollins on television as a FoxNews Contributor.

This year's Memorial Dinner event will also feature additional speakers to discuss what we might expect to see at the upcoming Republican National Convention.

We hope you will join us for this special evening to support the students in our Ashbrook Scholar Program at Ashland University.

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From: Roger Beckett
Sent: Monday, May 9, 2016 9:00 AM
To: Rep48
Subject: Ashbrook 31st Memorial Dinner with Ed Rollins (Photos/Videos)



Good morning,

Last week we were honored to introduce Ed Rollins as the keynote speaker for our 31st Annual John M. Ashbrook Memorial Dinner. Mr. Rollins managed Ronald Reagan's 1984 landslide victory and served in the Reagan White House as Political Director. During the evening, Rollins not only spoke about the current election but also told many stories of his time with Reagan. Those attending were delighted to hear him recall the time he accompanied President and Mrs. Reagan to Ashland, when President Reagan personally dedicated the Ashbrook Center in 1983 at the 1st Ashbrook Memorial Dinner.

I am grateful to our sponsors and to those of you who joined us for this event that supports scholarships for undergraduate students in the Ashbrook Scholar program. As Ashbrook Scholars, these young people not only learn about America but also come to understand why their country merits their affection.

Below are some highlights of the evening:

- Ed Rollins received the John M. Ashbrook Award for upholding the ideals of limited constitutional government. View the event's [photo gallery here](#).
- Ashbrook presented the inaugural Outstanding Ashbrook Scholar Alumnus Award to Major Josh Kirk, who in his short life exemplified Ashbrook's commitment to principled leadership. View the [award presentation to Josh's family](#).
- Our evening with Ed Rollins concluded with a panel discussion on the current political climate. Former Ohio Congressman Bob McEwen, who is a member of the Ashbrook board, and Professor Jeff Sikkenga joined Mr. Rollins and me for this [panel discussion](#).

I look forward to sharing more about Ashbrook's upcoming events and programs with you in the future. Thank you for your commitment to Ashbrook and to our effort to preserve

American freedom by teaching what it means to be American.

Sincerely,

Roger L. Beckett
Executive Director

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Sent: Tuesday, May 10, 2016 9:50 AM

To: Rep48

Subject: Join Ashbrook on Saturday, May 14 for a Reception with Hugh Hewitt



We cordially invite you to attend a

Special Reception

with

Hugh Hewitt

Saturday, May 14

Ashbrook Center, Ashland University

2:00 pm

Hugh Hewitt, a lawyer, law professor, and broadcast journalist, will be the speaker for Ashland University's Spring Commencement on May 14.

Following his commencement address, Mr. Hewitt will join us in the Ashbrook Center for a reception with light refreshments.

Hewitt, who also served as a panelist at four of the Republican debates during 2016, is a graduate of Harvard College and the University of Michigan Law School, and has been teaching Constitutional Law at Chapman University Law School since it opened in 1995.

Hewitt has been a frequent guest on CNN, Fox News Network, and MSNBC, and has written for *The New York Times*, *The Wall Street Journal*, and the *Los Angeles Times*. He is the author of a dozen books, including two *New York Times* bestsellers.

Hewitt is best known as the host of his radio show, which has an audience estimated at more than two million listeners every week. He also writes daily for his blog, HughHewitt.com, which is among the most visited political blogs in the U.S. He is also a weekly columnist for *The Washington Examiner* and Townhall.com.

We hope you will be able to join us on May 14.

***Please contact Jen Nixon at jnixon@ashbrook.org or 419-207-6094
to RSVP by May 12 for this special reception at the Ashbrook Center.***

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401 College Avenue, Ashland, OH 44805

From: Roger Beckett

Sent: Monday, September 26, 2016 9:37 AM

To: Rep48

Subject: Ashbrook to Host Cleveland 19 News for Tonight's Debate Coverage

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Good morning,

As the nation's attention turns to the presidential debate tonight, we encourage those in the viewing area to tune in to WOIO Cleveland 19 News for debate coverage featuring a special segment live from Ashbrook.

At 11:00 pm. you will hear from a group of local panelists (including a few Ashbrook Scholars) who will share their immediate reaction to the debate.

This portion of the post-debate coverage will be broadcast live from the Ashbrook Center at Ashland University!

Best regards,

Roger L. Beckett
Executive Director

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From: Roger Beckett

Sent: Monday, October 17, 2016 7:25 PM

To: Rep48

Subject: Join Ashbrook for Dinner and a Major Issue Lecture This Thursday



Join Ashbrook on Thursday, October 20 for dinner and a **Major Issues Lecture** with Cal Thomas, nationally syndicated political columnist.

Cal Thomas will be speaking on ***"How We Got Here and Where We are Going if Things Don't Change; What Works: Common Sense Solutions for a Stronger America."***

The event is at 7 pm and will be held at Myers Convocation Center at Ashland University.

One of the most widely syndicated political columnists in America, Cal Thomas has been provoking discussion and debate for more than 30 years. Thomas takes an unwavering stand for traditional conservative values and American "can-do spirit" that transcends political parties.

Thomas examines hot-button issues in America and the world, whether they are the growing threat of terrorism, racial tension, economic decline, or a range of social and cultural developments. His three decades as a columnist, and more as an author, broadcaster, and speaker - including access to world leaders, U.S. presidents, celebrities, educators, and countless others gives his columns a perspective unique in political commentary.

A graduate of American University, Thomas has worked for NBC, CNBC, PBS television, and the Fox News Network. He has appeared on "NBC Nightly News," "Nightline," the "Today" show, "Good Morning America," CNN's "Crossfire," "Larry King Live," and "The Oprah Winfrey Show."

Thomas has authored 12 books, including *Blinded by Might: Why the Religious Right Can, The Things That Matter Most, The Wit and Wisdom of Cal Thomas, The Death of Ethics in America, A Freedom Dream*, and more. His latest book is *What Works: Common Sense Solutions for a Stronger America*.

To order tickets or for more information, please visit our [website](#).

Please contact Jen Nixon with any questions at jnixon@ashbrook.org or 419-289-5411.

The Ashbrook Center seeks to restore and strengthen the capacities of the American people for constitutional self-government. Through undergraduate, graduate, and civic programs, the Ashbrook Center aspires to be the leading national educator in the enduring principles and practice of free government in the United States.

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To: Rep48

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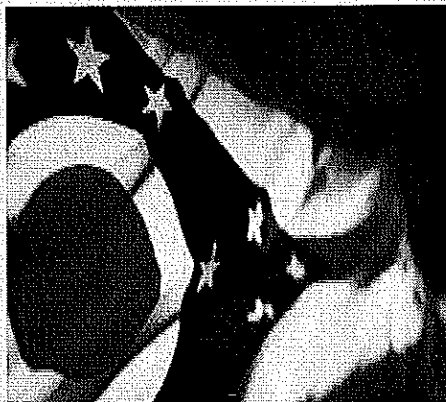
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From: Columbus Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society
Sent: Thursday, October 27, 2016 7:01 AM
To: Rep48
Subject: You're invited to 2016 Election Review (Nov 10, 2016)

You are invited to the following event:

2016 ELECTION REVIEW



Attend Event

Event to be held at the following time,
date, and location:

Thursday, November 10, 2016 from 12:00
PM to 1:30 PM (EST)

The Athletic Club of Columbus
136 East Broad Street
Columbus, OH 43215

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Share this event:



2016 Election Review

A Panel Discussion

Please join the Columbus Lawyers Chapter of the Federalist Society for our biennial post-election analysis. Our expert panel will discuss the impact of this year's election on the State and the Republic.

Featuring:

Stephen P. Carney (moderator)

Deputy Solicitor of Ohio

Roger L. Beckett

Executive Director of the Ashbrook Center at
Ashland University

Jo Ingles

Statehouse News Bureau

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Columbus Dispatch

The cost is \$20 (\$15 if you already paid Columbus Lawyers Chapter dues for the 2016-2017 program year, and \$5 for students). Lunch is included. R.S.V.P. by **November 7** to guarantee your seat, meal, and pre-printed nametag. Call Ben Flowers at (614) 281-3647 or email ColumbusFedSoc@Gmail.com with any questions. To join or renew your dues for the Columbus Lawyers Chapter, please pay the dues through the Eventbrite website or bring a check for an additional \$25 payable to the Federalist Society.

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From: Roger Beckett
Sent: Wednesday, December 28, 2016 8:36 PM
To: Rep48
Subject: America's Future

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Good evening,

As 2016 comes to a close, I hope you will join me in reflecting on our nation's great blessings. You and I know how fortunate we are to live in a free country, but America's future depends on the next generation understanding our legacy of freedom and opportunity.

Young Americans today are not being taught the inspiring, uplifting story of our American heritage that you and I know so well. Simply put, the America that Ronald Reagan called the "shining city upon a hill" is unknown to them.

By supporting Ashbrook with a gift today, you will help the next generation learn what it means to be an American.

Will you help me educate more principled leaders, something America so desperately needs? Here's how your generosity will make an impact:

- **Your gift of \$250 will help send a high-school student to our Ashbrook Academy this June**
- **Your gift of \$500 will equip 50 teachers in your state with a *50 Core American Documents* book**
- **Your gift of \$1,000 will fund an American Heritage webinar, reaching over 120 teachers**

I hope that you partner with me today at the secure link below. Thank you for your support and interest in our work at Ashbrook. I wish you and your family a blessed holiday season.

Best regards,

Roger L. Beckett
Executive Director

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Invest in America's Future

P.S. If you would like to make a tax-deductible gift of stock to the Ashbrook Center, please email Daniel Mitchell at dmitchell@ashbrook.org or 419-289-5617 in order for your gift to be properly acknowledged.

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From: Roger Beckett
Sent: Friday, December 30, 2016 7:13 AM
To: Rep48
Subject: America the Beautiful Idea

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Good morning,

Now more than ever we need to reach young Americans.

Since the 2016 presidential election, we've seen ugly protests in high schools and on college campuses around the country and "cry zones" for students traumatized by the election results. This reveals the next generation's serious lack of understanding about the core ideas that define America. With your support, Ashbrook is addressing this national problem.

To ensure the next generation is taught why they ought to love their country and why their country merits their respect and affection, Ashbrook has launched the **Core American Documents collections project**.

Each **Core American Documents collection** provides teachers with primary source documents addressing every topic for an entire school year. Each collection will contain, on average, 25 primary source documents that cover the full range of topics in the high school American History and U.S. Government curriculum.

With your special gift today, this initiative will create 35 full units, including the American Founding, the Civil War, and Cold War America.

Will you partner with me today to share the beautiful idea we call America? Ashbrook's Core American Document collections will help educate thousands of students and teachers about America's true history and characyer.

Thank you for your support and interest in Ashbrook.

Best regards,

Roger L. Beckett
Executive Director

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P.S. If you are age 70 1/2 or older, you can instruct your IRA administrator to make a distribution of up to \$100,000 directly to qualified charitable organizations, including the Ashbrook Center, through December 31, 2016, free from federal income tax for 2016.

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From: Roger Beckett
Sent: Saturday, December 31, 2016 9:16 AM
To: Rep48
Subject: What is Your New Year's Resolution?



Good morning,

The Ashbrook Center's resolution is that every young person will know the true story of America. I invite you to join Ashbrook so we can work together to keep this resolution, a resolution on which the future of our great nation depends.

You know as well as I do that America's classrooms are failing our young people. Poorly prepared teachers and biased textbooks are preventing young Americans from learning about the greatness of America and its contributions to the world.

But you and I have a chance to transform the way our American history and Constitution are taught. We can ensure the next generation hears the inspiring, uplifting story of America and the values - your values - that have made our nation exceptional.

I write one final time in 2016 to ask for your tax-deductible donation. Your gift will fund educational programs for students, teachers, and citizens. You can help your fellow citizens across this nation rediscover the greatness of America.

Thank you for believing in the idea of America, and my very best wishes to you in the coming new year.

Best regards,

Roger L. Beckett
Executive Director

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From: Eric.Frazee@CantonLocal.org
Sent: Monday, March 6, 2017 1:07 PM
To: Rep48
Subject: Teacher Internship Program

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First Name : Eric

Last Name : Frazee

Address : 4609 17th St. NW

City : Canton

State : OH

Zip : 44708

Phone : 330.268.5673

Email : Eric.Frazee@CantonLocal.org

Subject :
Teacher Internship Program

Message :
Mr. Schuring,

I would like to express my displeasure in Governor Kasich's proposal to have teachers take part in a local business internship in order to renew our licenses as certified teachers in Ohio. While I certainly understand the Governor's idea about this license renewal program, the logistics behind it make it an incredibly difficult and I believe useless task. I see merit for certain teachers, most notably CTE instructors. However, for core academic classroom teachers such as myself (U.S. Government), I fail to see any usefulness in this program. I personally am enrolled in Ashland University's Ashbrook Center to get my Masters Degree in American History and Government to make myself the best possible teacher I can be. But this task alone is incredibly stressful on myself and my family. I am a single father of two boys, and the MAHG program is only offered in the summer for 1 week long intensive classes. The struggle to simply keep working towards my goal of this Masters degree and raise my children in summer months is a full time job. Now it is being proposed that we take on an internship as well. I am assuming that the Governor proposes this internship should take place during the summer months? the costs to districts to do this during the school year would be astronomical...and with his proposal to cut education spending to most districts, this would be a burden I don't believe most districts could support. As I said before, this makes a decent amount of sense for teachers working in the Career and Technical Education programs as it allows them to see real-time changes going on in business and industry today. However, for us Social Studies,

Mathematics, Science, and Language Arts teachers, I can see no viable reason to take part. I don't see how spending hours with a business is going to improve my ability to teach Government to students. Thank you for your time. Best Wishes!

From: Rep48
Sent: Wednesday, March 8, 2017 8:54 AM
To: 'Eric.Frazee@CantonLocal.org'
Subject: RE: Teacher Internship Program

Eric,

Thank you for contacting Representative Schuring's office. Representative Schuring greatly values the thoughts and concerns of his constituents as we are always looking for ways to improve Stark County and the state of Ohio.

I will be sure to pass along your message and views to Representative Schuring regarding teacher externships. This is an important issue to many people throughout the state.

Again, thank you for contacting our office and please do not hesitate to contact us regarding any other state related issues.

Best,

Abby

Abby Schafer
Senior Legislative Aide
Office of State Representative Kirk Schuring
Speaker Pro Tempore
77 South High Street, 14th Floor
Columbus, OH 43215
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From: Roger Beckett
Sent: Friday, July 7, 2017 4:24 PM
To: Rep48
Subject: Why Religion Belongs in the Classroom

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Friends,

I wanted to share an article I wrote for *Education Week*, a leading national paper on K-12 education.

**Why Religion Belongs in the Classroom:
Don't Shy Away from Teaching How Religion Has Shaped U.S. History**
<http://www.edweek.org/ew/articles/2017/07/07/why-religion-belongs-in-the-classroom.html>

Here are a couple excerpts:

"To some, religion and the classroom are a toxic mix to be avoided at all cost. But should it be considered toxic when religion has played such an important role in shaping America's identity, purpose, and politics?..."

"Schools shouldn't run from the topic; they should embrace it. The better students understand the past, the better equipped they will be to face and shape our civic future."

The article features teacher resources in the Ashbrook Center's [Religion in American History and Civics Project](#).

Thank you for your ongoing support of our work at Ashbrook.

Best regards,

Roger L. Beckett
Executive Director

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Sent: Tuesday, August 15, 2017 10:30 AM

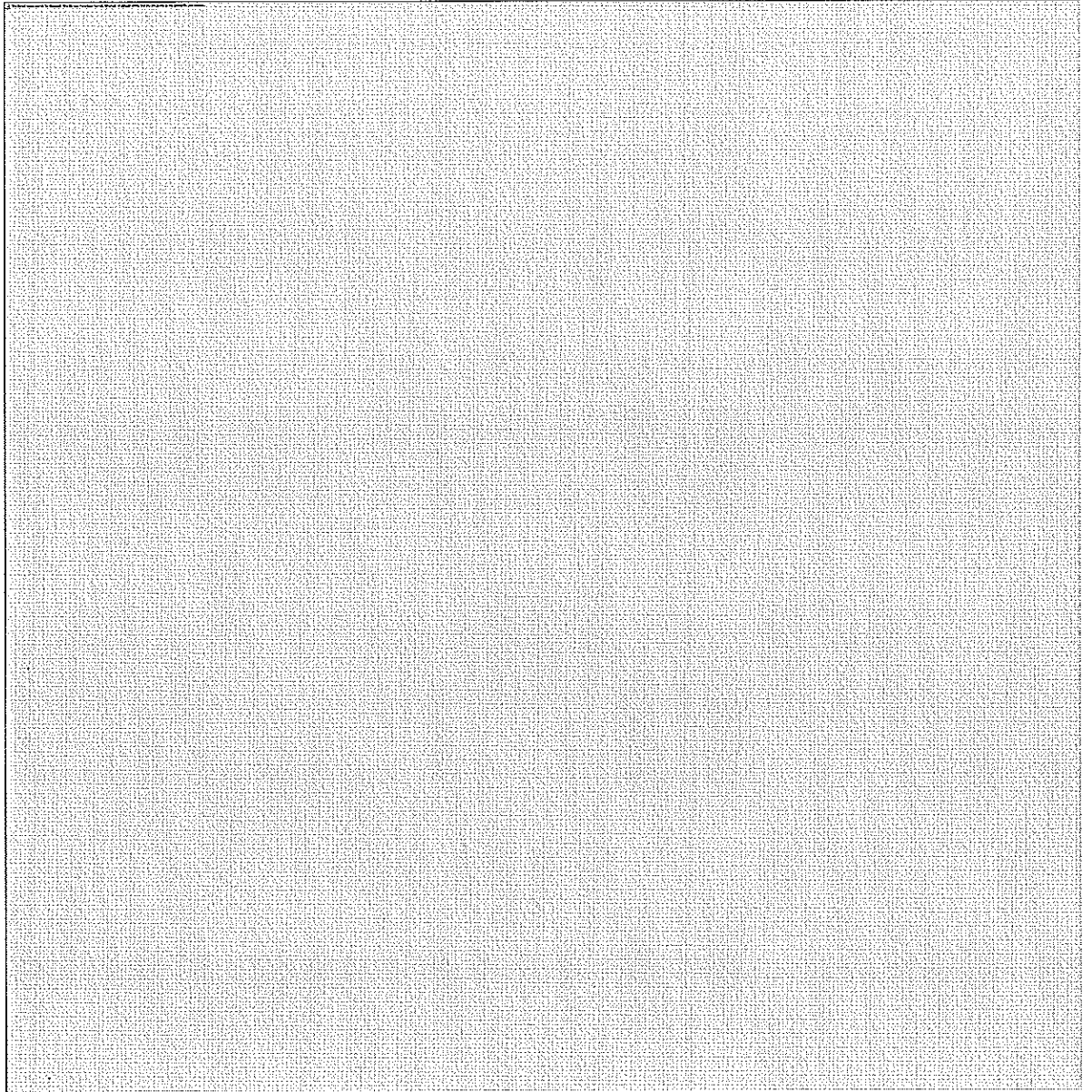
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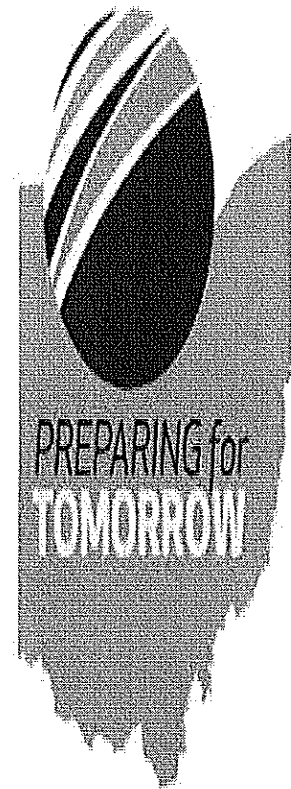


Policy Conference Agenda Announced

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Dear General Assembly Member,

The 2017 Policy Conference at Salt Fork is only four weeks away! Policy sessions are scheduled for Thursday and Friday morning of the three-day conference which will include several speakers on topics related to the issues being discussed on Capitol Square. While best-selling author J.D. Vance will be our Wednesday night speaker, we are excited to officially announce the lineup for this year's policy session speakers:



Thursday, September 7

8:45 - 9:30 AM

Tomorrow's Industry Disruptors

Stephanie Hughes, Co-founder of Super-h

9:30 - 10:30 AM

Public Policy Implications of Industry Disruption

Andrew Thomas, Associate Professor of Marketing & International Business at the University of Akron

10:45 AM - Noon

Forces Shaping Site Selection

Michelle Comerford, Project Director and Industrial & Supply Chain Practice Leader at Biggins Lacy Shapiro & Company

Nate Green, Director of Economic development for the Montrose Group

Friday, September 8

9:00 - 9:30 AM

Ohio's Prosperity Pulse

Brian Hicks, President, Ohio Chamber Research Foundation
Katie Kogelman, Executive Director, Ohio Chamber Research Foundation
Fritz Wenzel, Pollster, Ohio Chamber Research Foundation

9:30 - 10:15 AM

The Trump Coalition in 2018

Roger Beckett, Executive Director of the Ashbrook Center at Ashland University

10:30 - 11:30 AM

Fall Legislative Preview

Senate President Larry Obhoff

Senate Minority Leader Kenny Yuko

Speaker Pro Tempore of the House Kirk Schuring

House Minority Leader Fred Strahorn

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When:

Wednesday, September 6 at 12:00
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Friday, September 8 at 12:00 pm

Where:

Salt Fork Lodge
14755 Cadiz Rd.
Lore City, OH 43755

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Agenda

Wednesday, September 6

12:00 p.m. Registration opens
Afternoon activities & box lunch
6:00 p.m. Poolside reception
7:00 p.m. Dinner & program
Hospitality Suites after program

Thursday, September 7

7:30 a.m. Buffet breakfast
8:30 a.m. Policy sessions
12:30 p.m. Afternoon activities
6:00 p.m. Poolside reception
7:00 p.m. Dinner & program
Hospitality Suites after program

Friday, September 8

7:30 a.m. Breakfast
8:30 a.m. Policy sessions
Noon Adjourn



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Lodging Accommodations/Roommate Information

Unfortunately, there are only a limited number of guest rooms available at the Salt Fork State Park Lodge. While the Ohio Chamber has reserved every one of them for our Policy Conference, there simply aren't enough to permit every guest to reserve his or her own room. As a result, you will likely have to share a room with another conference attendee. We cannot accommodate requests for individual rooms. If you do not request a roommate, we will assign you one. Entering a roommate's name on your registration form DOES NOT

register that roommate for the conference. They must fill out their own form or you must "add them as a guest" on your form.

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Registration Closes August 28!



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Good morning,

230 years ago, as Benjamin Franklin was emerging from the Constitutional Convention, a woman called out to him asking, "What form of government have you given us, Dr. Franklin?" And he responded,

"A republic, Madame, if you can keep it."

Franklin knew that to sustain the American experiment in self-government, Americans needed to understand and appreciate the founding principles and pass them on to future generations.

Yet today so many high school and college graduates don't know the real story of America. Some even despise America.

How did this happen? Over the years, schools of education have focused on *how* to teach rather than *what* to teach. Teachers lack the knowledge and appreciation of American history they need to teach what it means to be an American.

But you and I can make a difference.

Here at the Ashbrook Center we are educating teachers and encouraging them to replace textbooks in their classrooms with primary documents — documents like the Constitution and the Federalist Papers.

We are transforming the way American history and civics are taught in classrooms across the country.

And with your generous support, Ashbrook will reach an entire generation of young people and give them the kind of education the Founders thought essential to protect American freedom.

Can I count on your help to live up to Dr. Franklin's challenge? Can I count on you to help preserve American freedom for our children and grandchildren?

I hope you will join me.

Best regards,

Roger L. Beckett
Executive Director

P.S. Test your knowledge of the Constitution with our **Constitution Day Quiz**.

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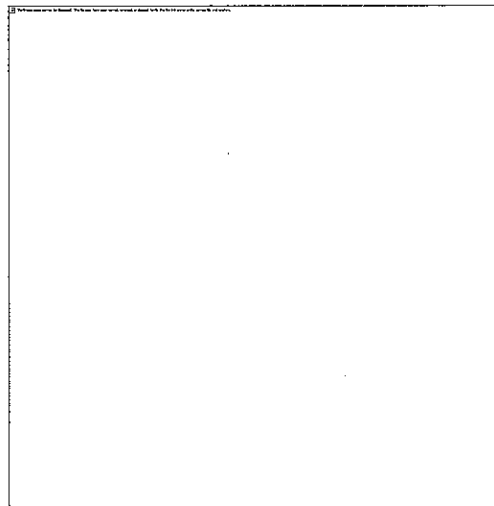
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Brian Kilmeade
Co-Host of *Fox & Friends*

Friday, November 3, 2017 at 7:30 PM
Mansfield's Renaissance Theatre
138 Park Avenue West, Mansfield, Ohio

Good morning,

I am pleased to invite you to attend the Second Peter W. Schramm Memorial Lecture with bestselling author **Brian Kilmeade** on Friday, November 3.

Kilmeade is co-host of the popular *Fox & Friends* morning program and host of the nationally syndicated radio program, *The Brian Kilmeade Show*.

Kilmeade will make history come alive with his telling of riveting true stories from our American history as he speaks about his new book, *Andrew Jackson and the Miracle of New Orleans*. He will discuss the development of Jackson's character and bring you to the scene of one of the most pivotal battles in our nation's history.

To purchase tickets please contact Carrie Clever at the Ashbrook Center at 419-289-5411 or cclever@ashbrook.org. Tickets for general seating in the Renaissance Theatre are available for \$20 each. A book signing will follow.

We are grateful to Samuel H. and Maria Miller and WMAN Radio for their generous support of the Peter W. Schramm Memorial Lecture.

Additional sponsorship opportunities are available and include a limited tickets for reserved seating as well a private reception and photo-op with Kilmeade before the evening's keynote address.

I hope to see you in Mansfield!

Warmest regards,

Roger Beckett
Executive Director

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"We can surely all agree that the Constitution itself means far more to our nation than a single holiday could ever reflect"

Wise words from Acting Assistant Attorney General Chad Readler's Constitution Day remarks at the Ashbrook Center on September 15th. In that spirit, I invite you to watch his full speech, which is now available online at CSPAN.org.

Warmest Regards,

Roger Beckett
Executive Director

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Sent: Friday, October 20, 2017 3:49 PM

To: Rep48

Subject: Join Ashbrook in Mansfield: November 3rd with Brian Kilmeade

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Brian Kilmeade

Andrew Jackson and the Miracle of New Orleans

The Second Peter W. Schramm Memorial Lecture

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On October 11, Cook County, Illinois commissioners voted 15 to 2 to repeal a sugary-drink tax, after businesses and consumers alike pushed back against the law. Although commonly referred to as a "soda tax," the tax was levied on all non-alcoholic beverages sweetened with added sugars, including non-caloric diet soda. It imposed a 1-cent-per-ounce tax on these beverages, amounting to a 67-cent levy on a two-liter bottle, or a \$1.44 tax on a 12-pack of canned sugary drinks.

The commissioners who initially voted for the soda tax previously defended it said the tax promotes healthy lifestyles and could help to plug a \$200 million hole in the county's budget. Opponents cited the negative economic consequences of a soda tax and the fact that similar taxes in other parts of the country have failed to improve health outcomes as reasons for rejecting the levy. A 2009 report concluded there is little correlation between soda tax implementation and weight loss.

In just one year, the tax opponents were proven correct. A report by the Illinois Food Retailers Association and Can the Tax Coalition found beverage sales declined in 32 Cook County stores from August 2016 to August 2017, with stores near the county's borders experiencing declines near 50 percent.

Soda taxes, like other "sin" taxes, are tools for lawmakers to fill budget gaps and raise revenue; they aren't typically passed to improve health, regardless of what their proponents say. But interestingly, these kinds of taxes are often incapable of providing reliable tax revenues. Heartland Senior Policy Analyst Matthew Glans, in a recent *Research & Commentary*, noted,

“While sin taxes do sometimes result in increased revenue over the short term, they often lead to an even greater increase in expenditures, which often cannot be supported by the tax over the long term, thereby creating budget shortfalls.”

Philadelphia, which implemented a sweetened beverage tax in January 2017, has yet to receive the additional tax revenue city officials expected when they passed the levy. According to a [Tax Foundation report](#), Philadelphia missed its target revenue goal by \$6.7 million during the first half of the year, and revenue projections have since decreased, as consumers continue to choose to buy groceries outside of city boundaries or purchase other products instead.

States and cities should learn from the failures of the Philadelphia and Cook County soda taxes and avoid implementing and relying on sin taxes, which burden lower-income residents more than other groups. As Glans concluded in his *Research & Commentary*, “Instead of creating or increasing discriminatory taxes, cities and states should focus on tax reforms that lower rates, put dollars back into the pockets of taxpayers, and encourage government efficiency.”

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Energy & Environment

Oregon Carbon Tax Is a Slush Fund for Failing Green Projects

In this *Research & Commentary*, Heartland Policy Analysts Matthew Glans and Tim Benson write about a new carbon tax proposal in Oregon, which they argue will be nothing more than a “slush fund” for unreliable energy projects. If a carbon tax is levied, they write, residents of Oregon will pay more for natural gas, electricity, gasoline, and other energy commodities, affecting every home and business in the state.

Education

Later School Start Times Improve Economy

In this article for *School Reform News*, Tori Hart writes about a new analysis from the RAND Corporation that says starting the school later in the morning would improve the U.S. economy by roughly \$9.3 billion per year. The study’s macroeconomic approach focused on the impact extra sleep has on teenagers. Critics of the report are not entirely convinced of RAND’s analysis and say the full benefits claimed in the report are unlikely to materialize.

Budget & Tax

Soda Taxes Continue to Fall Flat

In this *Research & Commentary*, Senior Policy Analyst Matthew Glans examines the failure of the Philadelphia and Cook County soda taxes and why “sin taxes” in general are unlikely to raise the revenue supporters expect. “Instead of creating or increasing discriminatory taxes, cities and states should focus on tax reforms that lower rates, put dollars back into the pockets of taxpayers, and encourage government efficiency,” Glans wrote.

Health Care

How States Can Address America’s Doctor Shortage

In this *Research & Commentary*, Senior Policy Analyst Matthew Glans and State Government Relations Manager Lindsey Stroud examine ways states can reform medical licensing standards. “Supporters of strict state licensing standards argue they assure quality, but critics argue the arduous and often expensive licensing process harms the health care market by hindering entry for new physicians and thereby impeding the competition that lowers costs and improves consumer access to healthcare services,” Glans and Stroud wrote.

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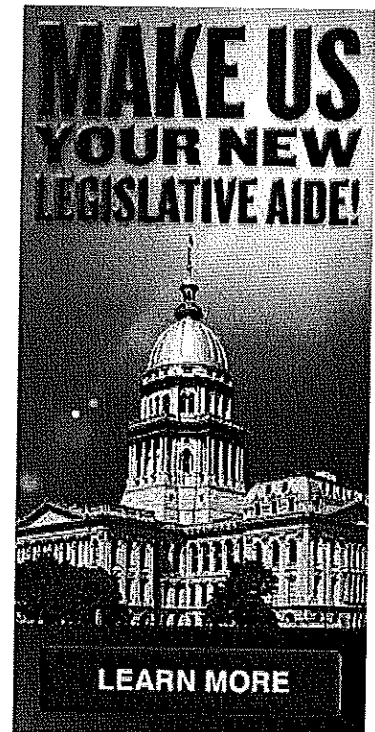
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The Commonwealth Foundation, a think tank in Pennsylvania, issued a new policy report examining Pennsylvania’s welfare



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The November 2017 issue of *Environment & Climate News* reports about the potential modification of the 1972

system. It highlights the necessity of work and criticizes the policies currently in place, which don't include any work requirements attached to welfare benefits. The Keystone State has one of the highest ratios of families receiving welfare benefits over a long period, and only 7 percent of able-bodied adults receiving food stamps in the state are required to work. Commonwealth believes Pennsylvania should adopt important welfare reforms, such as work requirements. If Pennsylvania lawmakers do this, the Commonwealth Foundation estimates it would save the state's taxpayers nearly \$3 million in 2018, and much more over time.

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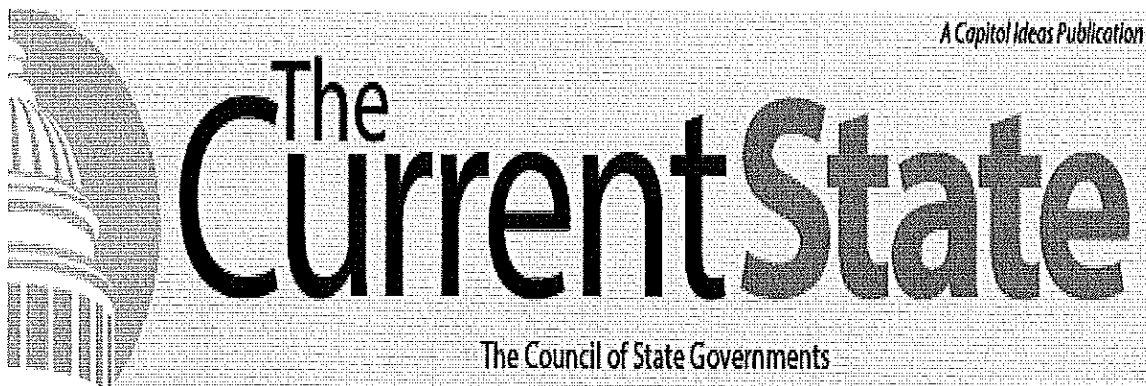
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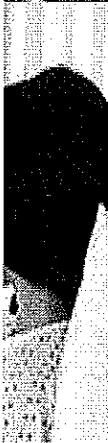
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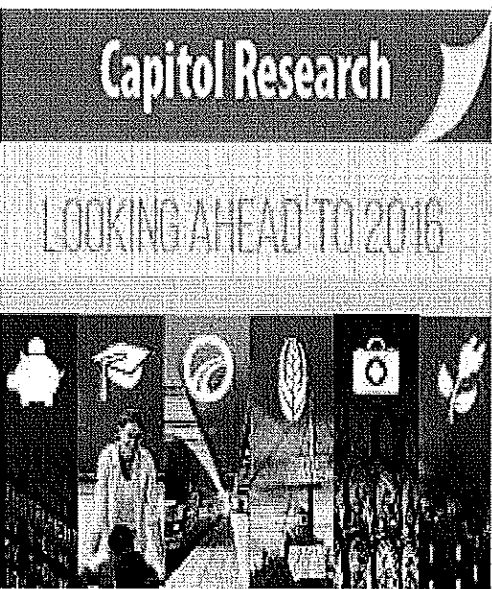


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e a major area of concern for many states in 2016 as financial assumptions used to calculate how much a state can afford to spend. Despite recent strong investment returns, new reforms that have led to a reduction in unfunded liability for a number of states are expected to remain between \$800 and \$900 billion in 2016, which remains a big fiscal concern for state leaders.

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